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from Anno 1630 to An. 1710.

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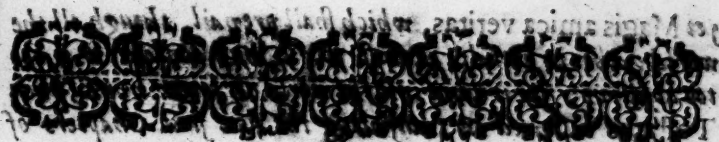
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TO THE
Ingenuous and well-affected Readers,

GENTLEMEN,

Here present you with a misshapen Embryo, having
neither had time for Perfection, nor life to achieve
Acceptation. A wear Chate and disorder'd Dis-
course it is, yet for matter treating of wonderfull and famous
Events, which in this European world are quickly to be per-
formed. It is true, that Primitivæ sunt horridiores, in
commonly defective in mature Conceptions and ripeless of
judgement. Yet they that read this Pamphlet seriously, will
find those Passages opened (I will not say fully explained) in
Scripture, which Commentaries never yet disclosed, nor De-
vines unfolded. In such an intricate Labyrinth it is vast to
stray: therefore I am confident, Charing will aske your
Judgements; and your laws correct mine Infirmities. I know I
have slip't in many places, but for the present can neither tell
where, nor how. I have a desire to be directed to the
way, and I shall be as ready to follow. Secundæ cogitation-
nes sunt meliores: If I finde those Non-entities to be accepted
with, but as much respect as worse were every day is, it shall
not irk me to bestow a week or two in turning it over into a bet-
ter form and putting a handsomer Coat upon it's back. There
are several passages in it; which (I know) will not resent
with our Great Ones: but Amicus Plato, amicus Socrates,

To the Readers.

yet Magis amica veritas, which shall prevail, though all the world gather in Cordia against it. I must confess it is a too obscure: for it came into the world in fewer hands, than Tostatus bestowed in translating the first five Chapters of Genesis out of Greek into Latine. I wish it may obtain the end for which I made it: that is, to move us all with repentance to meet God in these great Mutations and Changes he is bringing upon us in this Land; that every one would strive to reform one from Heresies, Sects and Schisms, to suffer the Scriptures to be our Rule, and the holy Ghost our Guide both in Faith, Religion and Discipline, that so God may put out his hand in amending the Body Politick in the whole; that judgement may depart from us, destruction flee far from us; that Peace may dwell within our walls and plenteousness within our Palaces.

I study multum in parvo, and hope to give satisfaction to all, but such as are meddled more to their wits then reasons. For these I have no more but this, A good winde is their backs to the Anticyra's, that they may drink Hellebor lustily to purge their Brains, that they may be more quick, and their Eye-sight clearer. I quote strange Authors in this work, and good Reason; for the Work it self is strange. Yet they in whose hands these Authors are, (and they are not in every Library) shall finde I have both dealt with them truly, and cited them faithfully. And for the Tractate it self, it will with the learned be either Laudatus aut saltem excusatus; either of which shall content me at this time. Farewel.

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 OF THE
Future History of EUROPE,
 from *Anno 1650,* to *An. 1710.*

I.

SAVING with silence and admiration beheld these ten years, the horrid Broyles and civil Tumults in these Western Coasts of Europe, I cannot but adore the Justice of God upon his enemies, and his paternall chastisements upon his Church for sin. It hath made me much wonder, to behold how virulently and barbarously Protestants could oppose and massacre one another, when the Romish Frogs can live in an established amity among themselves, and laugh at our follies. I will not say, it is Jesuiticall projects which sets us by the ears together, so much as our own Seditious and Schismaticall Spirits, and want of Charity. If we would but ponder, how much Popery hath won upon us by these Warres and Divisions, what fearfull occasions we have given to the professed enemies of Christ to blaspheme his Name, and deride our Religion, it would much provoke us to end our Controversies, and band against the common Enemy. The Empire hath got but a wofull Boory, by her 30 years Warres, having weakened her self with the losse of Six Millions of valiant Souldiers, and enticed that Imp of Mahomer to prepare an Army of 200000, now in the Field, and ready to march within the bowels of Germany. We in England have gained no better by our civil Warre, but instead of one Tyrant to advance a dozen over us, and from the height of Liberty to ruine the broad way up the next hill, to the height of Slavery. Our Western Sun is set, on whom the eyes of all Protestants were fixt, to have

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have composed their differences, and united them into a mutuall League against the Romish Dragon, and the false Prophet. Nor was any insufficiency in him to the performance of so glorious an Enterprise, had not the sins of his own Subjects, hastned his untimely Fate. Behold then what profits our Warre hath brought us! and what a blessing our sins have deprived us of! How fearfull are the Judgements of God and his anger against sin, when the Church is dilacerated, the Commonwealth disjoynted and dismembred in every part thereof, the lust of Tyrants, the pleasure of Pelians, the barbarousnes of Souldiers, dissensions of Churchmen, sad and tragically ends of Nobles, confusions in Families, countenancing of Heresies, and applauding of Blasphemies are so ripe and ripe amongst men! On the contrary, how happy are Kingdomes, how blessed be Commonwealths, when Princes, Magistrates, and other subordinate Officers, each in their severall place and calling, strive to promote the glory of God, with the Liberty, Honour and Tranquillity of Subjects; where the Ministry is encouraged, Universities countenanced, Courts of Judicature upholden, Subjects be unanimous and accustomed to the Exercise of Piety and Godlinesse: lastly when both Prince and people aim joyntly at the advancement of the Gospel and mutuall commodity of one another, so that there be no decay, no leading into Captivity, nor complaining in their streets!

II.

The subject
matter of
this ensuing
Discourse.

The disparity of these two contradictory conditions, and the fearful effects, which they in all ages have wrought in the Consciences of men, have made me at length after a long time of silence per Pen to Paper, and through the intricate Labyrinth of those portions of Scripture which never Commentator yet ever medled with (I mean, the twelve last Chapters of *Ezechiel*, the three last of the *Revelations*, the last of *Daniel*, with some passages in *Hester* and *Zachary*) to declare when We People of England with all Protestants in Europe shall see an end of these our Warres and Tumalts, what shall be the Estate of our Churches, States and Kingdomes, from this present year 1640, to the beginning of the Fifth and last universall MONARCHY of the Gospel of Christ upon Earth, which shall begin in the year of our Lord 1710; and in what year we may expect the down-falls of the Beast of Rome, the Red Dragon of *Constantinople*, the totall Conversion and restauration both of the Eastern and Western Jewes within their holy Land of *Joy*: all which must most certainly be fulfilled before the end of the World. Of these high Points and Mysteries, I finde nothing in any Commentator upon the last of *Daniel* and the *Revelations*, save only *Brightman*, who being acquainted in *Leiden* with *Joseph Scaliger*, got some (but those very imperfect) notes of *Grebner* concerning these Numbers in *Ezechiel* and *Daniel*. But that excellent Manuscript, which *Johannes Bankerus* writ of the Life and Writings of *Grebner*, declareth all these

these things most plainly and punctually, how that greater Troubles, fearfuller Combinations, direfuller Devastations shall come upon the Western Kingdomes of Europe, than yet ever did, before they can expect the down-fall either of Turke or Pope, or the universall Monarchy of the Gospel of Christ upon Earth. In which incomparable Work the Learned Astrologer bringeth Divine and Heavenly Reasons, why Europe (for the space of thirty seven years, after that fearfull blazing Comet in 1618.) should with amazed eyes behold the infinite and sudden mutations and downfalls of flourishing States and potent Kingdomes, the deformity of Empires, and mournfull faces of Commonwealths (as is lately happened in England, Portugall, Swedeland, Bohemia, and Denmark) the Devastations of whole Kingdoms at a clap, and burning six or seven Nations at once in their ashes and cinders (as of late in Germany) not to make them ask whether there be a God, Heaven and Providence, or not? or whether Empires and States depend wholly upon the will and power of man, or upon secret and hidden causes beyond the thoughts and expectations of the World? but to praise God for his paternall corrections, seeing by this they know he remembreth them; and that through this Fire and Water of Affliction he will bring his Church to a small Conquest over her Enemies, and both the Congregations of Jew and Gentiles to an universall Monarchy over the face of the whole Earth. Severall passages of which Manuscript I will insert here and there in this ensuing Discourse, as Method and Matter shall require.

III.

Since the Spiritual sword was sheathed in England (which lopt off the serpentine Heads of Heresie and Schisme, while they were yet growing) it is a wonder to see how all Sects and Schismaticall Opinions in the world have (like devouring Weed) overgrown and choked the seed of the Word. Above the rest, the Millenaries have exalted themselves, whose abominable Pamphlets have flown abroad like Atomes, wherein they dream of a Personall Reign of Christ upon Earth, how he shall descend from Heaven *An. 1666*; destroy all the works of darknesse in every corner of the Earth, make an easie passage to men from Earth to Heaven, so that they may ascend into Heaven, and leap down to Earth again, as oft as they list: how he shall keep a Quarter Sessions or Goal-delivery in his own Person upon Mount *Oliver*, call all Nations before him, rebuke them of sin face to face, and shall cut out of them their stony hearts, and shall sew in their bellies hearts of flesh in stead thereof: that *An. Dom. 1700* shall be the day of Judgement, and that the Judgement shall last other 1700 years, because otherwise the glorious Attributes of Christ's Mercy and Justice cannot be sufficiently explained to the World and the Consciences of men. All which Fopperies with many mo too horrid to relate,

The Confutation of the wicked Opinions of the Millenaries of the Personall Reign of Christ upon Earth after *An. 1700.*

relate, are contained in M. *Archers* Personall Reign of Christ upon Earth,
Rich. Stirreys Kingdome of King Jesus, and in A.R. his *Caleste Hierusalem*,
 Printed A. 1642, 1644, and 1645. Now having unmasked the vanity of
 this Error (*ut contraria iuxta se posita magis elucescant*) I will epitomize in
 this Section the truth of the future estate of the World, from this time to
 the end, which afterward I intend (God willing) further to dilate and
 prosecute in this Treatise. This year 1650 all Europe are in civil Warres.
 These civill warres shall not cease till they have mustered out a great Army
 of the true worshippers of God to ruine Rome, which shall be about Anno
 1666. Rome thus destroyed, the Western Jews shall begin to learn the waies
 of God, and believe his Gospel (which they cannot do so long as Rome
 standeth) and shall Anno 1683. enter upon the conversion of their Eastern
 brethren (the 10. Tribes now invisibly hid in Tartaria and India) and they
 two (none else) shall ruine the Mahumetan Empire about An. 1698. and
 so shall be restored to the holy Land to reinhabit Jerusalem. Then must be-
 gin a comparative felicity of the Church of God upon earth, because after
 these times both Turk and Pope shall be destroyed. Nevertheless this felici-
 ty must be mingled with internall troubles and persecutions, within the bow-
 els of the Church, because the Church shall never be wholly at rest, while the
 world standeth. Lo, here the difference betwixt Truth and Heresie, betwixt
 the opinions of the Millenaries and right sense of Scriptures. The Millenaries
 say, Christ must descend personally from heaven: The Scriptures on the
 contrary say, he shall not come from Heaven personally till the last day,
 when he shall descend with his holy Angels in flaming fire to judge the
 quick and the dead. He shall send power and strength from heaven to his
 true Worshippers (as he hath done hitherto) to destroy Turk and Pope,
 from Heaven he shall give power to his ancient people the Jews, to regain
 their ancient Land of Judea, and not by his corporeall presence upon Earth:
 from Heaven about An. 1700. he shall transerre his Gospel from Europe,
 as he hath done from Asia, and raise up and inspire godly Ministers after
 his own will, who shall implant his holy word in all and every of the King-
 domes and Provinces of America, and in all countries of the Southern and
 Eastern India, China, Tartaria, and in all the regions of the North unto
 the worlds end, and make it shine in as great purity and glory as ever it
 hath done in England or Germany. This is the felicity of the Church, the
 fifth Monarchy in Nebuchadnezzars Image, the ministeriall (not person-
 all) Reign and Kingdom of Christ upon Earth, which must not endure
 for ever (as Archer would have it) nor for a 1000 years. (as Alsted
 dreams) but for a very short time, that all Nations (none excepted) may
 profess Gods worship, and none plead ignorance before his Tribunal, pre-
 sently after which the dissolution of the world shall come, after which time
 shall be no more.

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 not one of those things being come to pass, this
 false prophet foretelling a fault finding an alike doctryne IV.

IV.

This Digression made, I return to my purposed method.

That fearfull and ominous Night-torch, which prognosticated all that misery to Germany and great Britain, which they have now suffered, was the forerunner of all our evils. This Comet Longomontanus and D. *Bambridge* say appeared but 28. dayes, indeed it was neither observed in Denmark nor at London before Novemb. 18. or 21. but *Erycius Putesanus* observed it Novemb. 11. the first time, as he testifies in the first book of his learned *Paradoxologie*, pag. 33. 38. so it appeared for the space of 37. or 38. dayes, foreshewing that first Germany, Livonia, Swethland, with other North-parts of Europe, then Scotland, England and Ireland, should feel the terrible effects thereof in warre and famine, for the space of 37. or 38. years, even from *An. 1618.* till *An. 1656.* This Comet was strengthened by a fearfull conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter, *An. 1616.* July 18. The effects of both which were not to be confined in those terrible concomitants of war perpetrated in Germany (which L.B. and D. *Vincent* so pathetically delineate) but were to end in the judgements of God upon Europe for neglecting the downfall of Antichrist, ruine of Rome, annihilation of the Sodomiticall Order of the Society of Jesuites, and in the extirpation of all Kingdoms and free States of Papiſts, to make way for the Lion of the North to erect his FIFTH MONARCHIE in the ashes of Germany, wherein shall be established the eternall felicity of the Church, by the conversion of the Jews and fulnesse of the Gentiles.

M. *Shirley* Fellow of Trinity-Colledge in Cambridge, once shewed me a Letter from his learned friend *Buxtorf*, dated *An. 1624.* May 3. wherein was contained a Prognostique Prophecy of the before-mentioned Comet and Conjunction, sent him from that incomparable Astrologer, *Johannes Baudensis* Nephew to *Paul Grebner*, which for the strangenesse and rarity of it, I will here insert.

"Ceterum, quodd de patrie nostrae afflictiſſima statu consulesco, indignaris; nihil
"profecto scribendum nunc habeo, nisi omnia (ut Poeta verbis utor) in pejus ru-
"ere, & retro sublapsa referri. Tam Danus quam Caesar. enixè laboram, ut misere-
"ram Germaniam quamprimum possum iri spectem: Nec milites utriusque quere-
"quam aliud meditantur, nisi strages & vastitatem. Accepi nudiſtertius à Jo-
"hanne Baudensi (amico mihi multimodis charissimo). sententias nostratium
"Astrologorum de horribili illo Cometa, qui Anno 1618. apparuit, & imperri-
"mâ Saturni & Jovis conjunctione. En tibi vaticinium, si non Apostolicum, at
"longè (ni fallor) plusquam Astrologicum. Surrexit Deus & gladium eduxit,
"Clades magnarum Imperatorum, strages populorum, regum funera, rerum publi-
"carum everſiones, monarchiarum mutationes, assassinationes principum & ducum
"illustriorum, violentia & superba consilia, Proditiones & rebelliones tunc subditi
"in hoc caelo nostro Europico exoriantur. Exspertentur religiosi, & apostatizabuntur Le-
"gum.

" gum & institutorum Ecclesiasticorum mutationem, à plebeijs novarum rerum in-
 " explebilem cupiditatem. Boreales Europa partes ferro, morbo & peste labora-
 " bunt, depauperabuntur divites, Principes Dominijs exstit erunt, exulabunt pa-
 " tres & filij post longum turbarum intercapedinem in integrum restituentur.
 " Hic quoque Cometa terribilem Romæ ruinam, singulisque Europa civitatibus in-
 " cendia minitatur, Clerici Papicole præcipue Cardinales de gradibus suis desici-
 " entur, Lovolista ubique ad mortem rapiuntur, nec Gallis aut Hispanis au-
 " mus erit carnicum laqueos evitare. Quinimo cernimus etiam in terrâ sanctâ à
 " veteribus incolis oriturum Regnum, quod erit Christianis miraculum, & Orbi
 " terroculamentum. Novique Imperij Revolutio istis succedet, sub quo generale
 " gaudium, lætitia & voluptas humano generi subministrabitur, improbis ubique de-
 " mediisublatis. Hæc omnia per Regem quendam Borealem peragetur, qui pa-
 " cem, Religionem, & Securitatem per totum Orbem miraculose stabilis.

Whereas you are angry that I keep silence concerning the estate of our
 most distressed Country. Truly I have nothing now to write, but that
 all things (that I may use the words of the Poet) grow worse and worse.
 As well the King of Denmark as the Emperour earnestly endeavour to see
 miserable Germany destroyed as soon as may be; neither do the souldiers of
 either of them, think of any other thing then slaughter and desola-
 tion.

I received the other day, from my dear Friend John Baudensis, the opini-
 ons of our Astrologers concerning that terrible Comet which appeared Anno
 1618, and about the later Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter. Behold thou
 then a Prophetic (if not Apostolical) yet (if I mistake not) far be-
 yond Astrological. G O D hath arisen and drawn his sword: There shall
 happen in these our European Regions, the destruction of great Emperours;
 the slaughter of people, Funerals of Kings, subversions of Common-
 wealths, mutations of Monarchies, massacres of Princes and illustrious
 Commanders, violent and proud Counsels, Treasons and Rebellions
 amongst Subjects: Clergie-men shall finde a change of Laws and Ecclesia-
 stical Constitutions, by those of greater power, and an insatiable desire of
 new things amongst common people. The Northern parts of Europe shall
 be greatly oppressed with Warre, Sicknesse and Pestilence. Rich men shall
 be impoverished, Princes cast out of their Dominions, The fathers shall
 be banished, and after a long space of trouble their children shall be restored
 to their former condition. This Comet also threatneth the terrible ruine of
 Rome and burnings in all the Cities of Europe. The Papistical Clergy,
 especially the Cardinals, shall be cast down from their Dignities, the Je-
 suites every where shall be drawn to death, neither shall the French-men
 or Spaniards have courage to save their necks from the halters. Further-
 more, We discern a Kingdom to arise of the most ancient Inhabitants in
 the holy Land, which to Christians shall be a Miracle, and to the World
 a terror; and these shall obtain the Revolution of a new Empire, un-
 der which shall be administred universall Gladness, Joy and Delight to
 mankind (the wicked being every where taken away.) All these things
 shall be effected by a certain Northern King who shall miraculously
 establish

establish Peace, Religion and Security throughout the whole world.

Thus far the words of this Letter. And how punctually all these things are come to passe, let the world judge. We in England have felt the misery of the one, and are ready stript to suffer the calamities of the other, having for the present lost what is impossible to be regained, and seeing a new storm of Devastations hanging over our heads by the young Kings late arrival in Scotland (where he is received as absolute Sovereign) which fills mens hearts with pensive thoughts and doubtings what will be the end of these wo-
full beginnings. For my part, I am a zealous adorer of a Parliament, nor deserve I to censure the Actions of our Representatives, yet will I not promise the Term of an Age to our novel Government, but think vastly, a change to the old Model is nigh at hand. It is casual to the best Kingdoms to have Interregnums, but as we stand now, we shall neither be for six years together a Body Politique, nor a true Church of God. That excellent Astrologer of Misnia, *Paul Grebner*, was more then an In-
quisitour into the Effects of Starres, being questionlesse indued from a-
bove with a Prophetick spirit, not to be desired, much lesse expected of all. He plainly affirms, That as England ever was a Monarchy within it self, since it was discovered by the Romans, so shall it so continue and remain, even then when all other Kingdoms and States in Europe are swallowed up of the FIFTH MONARCHIE of the Lion of the North. His Prophecie of our Civil Wars, of the Fate of our late King, and the Restauration of his Son to his Fathers Dominions, runneth thus in *Ban. 72.*

“ *Per idem tempus Rex quidam Borealis (nominat Carolus) Mariam ex Pa-*
“ *pistica religione sibi assumptam in matrimonium conjunxerit, ex quo cruces re-*
“ *gum infelicitissimus. Unde populus ejus, ipso abdicato, Comitem quendam por-*
“ *antique Familiae regno praponeret, qui tres annos, aut circiter durabit; & hoc*
“ *quoque remoto, Equitem quendam bellicosum in ejus locum assumet, qui paulo*
“ *amplius regnabit. Post hunc eligeret nullum. Ingredere, unus e stirpe Caroli in li-*
“ *tore regni patres sui cum Gallicis, Suevicis, Danicis, Hollandicis, Burgur-*
“ *dicis & Germanicis auxiliis stabit, omnes inimicos suos cruenissimo praelio su-*
“ *perabit, & postea regnum suum felicissime administrabit, erique Carolo mag-*
“ *no major. And in Ban. 74. he saith, Circa Anno 1663 Britanniarum Rex*
“ *antiquum cum Belgarum Ordinibus fœdus & amicitiam rumpet, ob creptas sibi ab*
“ *ipsorum piratis naviculas quasdam, qui pertrepidi ad novum Danorum Regem-*
“ *(nominat Christiernum) confugiens, qui utrosque primò compositissimis orationi-*
“ *bus, deinde muneribus in concordiam alliciet.* ”

About the same time a certain Northern King (named *Charles*) who shall marry *Mary* of the Popish Religion to his great unhappinesse, so that his people (rejecting him) shall set up an Earl of a very ancient Family, who shall continue three years or thereabouts, he dying they shall elect in his stead a warlike Knight, who shall rule a little longer: after him they elect none; But in the mean one of *Charles* his Stock shall land on the Sea-coasts of his Fathers Kingdom, and with French, Swedish, Danish, Hollandian, Burgonian and German Forces, in a most cruel battell shall vanquish all his

Enemies,

*Grebners
Prophecie
of our late
King, and his
son now
King.*

Enemies, and afterward most happily govern his Kingdom, and be greater
then *Charles the Great*. And about the year 1663, the King of the most
ancient Britains for the losse of some Ships at Sea shall break his League
and Amity with the States of *Holland*, who fearing, shall to the new King
of *Dan* (named *Christiern*) for succour, and he by fair Treaties and
large Gifts shall win either side to Agreement.

Nor ever doth he speak of *England* in all that famous Manuscript, but
as of the most warlike and potent Kingdome in *Europe*. Therefore all
good Christians ought to wish the new Warre were concluded rather
by an happy Agreement and Composition, then by Sword and Musket,
and the King placed on his Throne rather with the hands of his loving and
and joycefull Subjects, than with the swords of Forreigners. For if the
beginning of his Restauration be in blood, and tumbling of garments in
blood, the Accomplishment of it will be with burning and fuel of fire.

That

That this future History of *Europe*, may be more fully and clearly understood, I intend to set it down by way of Chronology upon the principall passages in *Ezekiel* and the *Revelations*, as I lately collected it out of the two *MSS.* of *Grebner* and *Joannes Baudensis*, and afterward subscribed certain Notes and Animadversions upon the same.

Anno
Christi.
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The woman travelleth, viz. The Jewish Synagoge bringeth forth Christ, whereupon ensueth the battel between *Michael* and the Dragon (Christ and the Devil) Christ being persecuted of the Devil by *Horus* in his Infancy, flieeth into *Egypt*, in his appointed time of 34 years, suffereth and ascendeth into Heaven; The Devil enraged that he could no more persecute Christ, raiseth persecutions against the Primitive Church by *Nero* and others, *Revel. 12.* per tot.

Anno
Mundi.
3947.

3981.

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4017.

4018.

4020.

4033.

4120.

4102.

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4232.

The first Seal opened, The white Horse and his Rider, with the crowned Bow, signifieth the purity of the Gospel in the Primitive Church, *Revel. 6.2.*

Satan is bound for a 1000 years from raging against the Church, *Revel. 20.2.8.*

The second Seal opened, The red Horse is the massacre of Christians in the ten general Persecutions about Anno 63, to Anno 330. *Revel. 6.3.4.*

The third Seal opened, *Simon Magus*, *Eblon* and *Corinthus* trouble the Church with damnable and infectious Heresies, *Revel. 6.9.6.*

The fourth Seal opened, Horrid Famine, devouring Pestilences and outrageous Wars, waste and depopulate the Roman Empire for cruelty to Christians, *Revel. 6.7.8.*

The fifth Seal opened, Mutual Massacres of the wretched *Casars*, beginning at *Pertinax*, and ending at *Licinius*, slain by *Constantine the Great*, *Revel. 6.9.10.11.*

The sixth Seal opened, *Dioclesian* and *Maximilian* give over their Cæsarships, because they could not eradicate Christianity. *Constantine* strengthened with their Armies and Provinces, warreth upon *Licinius*, slayeth him, destroyeth the Pretorian Camp, abolishest Heathenism, and setteth up the true Worship of God, *Revel. 6.12.* to the end.

- Anno Mundi.* 4255.
4286. The seventh Seal opened, *And silence in Heaven for half an hour, viz. The Church enjoyeth rest thirty years, all the time that Constantine the Great reigned, Revel. 8.1.* Yet clouds of persecution arise in the interim in the sky of the Church; and the seven Angels prepare themselves to blow the seven Trumpets for the space of 23 years, even all the reign of *Constantines* three sons, *Revel. 8. 2, 3.* *Anno Christi.* 308.
339.
4310. *Julian* that wretched Apostata bending his utmost endeavours to ruine the Gospel, licenceth 17000 Jews to return to *Jerusalem* to rebuild their Temple; but God destroyeth them all by Lightnings and Pestilences: Horrible Earthquakes cast up into the Air the foundations which had been buried in rubbish till then. Therefore *Daniels* compute of the Temples finall ruine must but begin then; there begin his two Numbers (*Chap. 12. ver. 11, 12.*) of 1290, and 1335, which in all must but make 1335 years, which added to 363, make up and point to *Anno Christi* 1698, the joyfull Jubile of the Churches Deliverance from all Adversity. 363.
- 4373 The first Trumpet blown. Fire and hail (war and bloudshed) cast into the troublesome Sea of the Roman-Western-Empire by *Valentinian*, and the succeeding Emperours, untill the end of the Western-Empire, The savage Inundations of *Goths, Huns, Vandals* and *Bulgarians* into Italy, *Revel. 8. 7.* 426.
4553. The second Trumpet blown, *Boniface* that Mountain of fiery Combustions obtaineth of *Phocas* the Popish Supremacy. Hence wars betwixt the Emperours and Popes, *Revel. 8. 8, 9.* 606.
4613. The third Trumpet blown, The Romish Bishop (the great Star of the Western Christian Clergy) falleth from the Heaven of Truth and Godlineffe, and of a vigilant Pastour becomes a ravenous Robber of the Church, and the gifts thereof, *Revel. 8. 10, 11.* 666.
4946. The fourth Trumpet blown, The Pope fallen from Piety, and his Clergy from the Pulpits, Christ the Sun of righteousness with his Merits, the Church the Moon, and the Ministers the Stars thereof are eclipsed, and vilified by *Sylvester II*, *Revel. 8. 12, 13.* 999.
5018. Satan loosed out of prison beginneth to rage by *Gregory VII* against the Gospel of Christ, *Revel. 10. 4.* 1071.
5140. The fifth Trumpet blown, The Vicar of Christ with his Keyes openeth hel's mouth to let out his Cloister-fiends and satanical Locusts to overspread the Earth of Christendome, described by *John* most graphically, *Revel. 9. 9. to 13.* 1195.
5245. The sixth Trumpet blown, The Ottoman Empire ariseth, invaderh first the Eastern-Empire of *Constantinople*, and winneth it: then flieth upon the *Germane* Emperour with barbarous millions of invincible Armies, *Revel. 9. 13. to the end.* 1300.

*Ann
Mandi.*

The saying, *Revel. 9. 15.* of the Turks preparation for a day, a moneth, and a year, beginneth now. Which Number allegorically taken maketh 398 years: which added to *A. 1300.* the year of the original of the Turkish Empire, sheweth that *A. 1698.* shall be the final downfal of the same.

*Ann
Christi.*

5462. The last Trumpet is blown, The Thrones, Principalities and Dominions in Heaven rejoyce, that God would now at length take his Churches Cause in hand, and raise up *Luther*, and other Sons of Thunder to vindicate the quarrel thereof against the Romish Antichrist to the ruine of his Kingdom, *Revel. 11.* from ver. 15. to the end.

By eating of the Book, *Chap. 10.* Measuring the Temple and slaying the Witnesses, *Chap. 11.* is understood the Reformation by *Luther*, and downfall of the Papacy under *Charles* the fifth.

5504. The first Vial poured out, *England, Scotland and Ireland* by the Reign of *Queen Elizabeth*, renounce the Papacy; which generates the ulcers of spight and malice in the Romish Church against *England*, *Revel. 16. 2.* 1559.

5518. The second Vial poured out, *Martin Chemnitzius* and others, pronounce the vengeance of God against the mortiferous Sea of the Council of *Trent*, *Revel. 18. 3.* 1572.

5528. The third Vial poured out, The stinking Waters of the Papacy are infected with bloud in murdering of the Popes and Romanists in Rome, the slaughters of the Spaniards in the Low-Countryes, and the Discomfiture of the Spanish-Armado in *Anno 1588.* *Revel. 16. 5, 6, 7.* 1583.

5540. The fourth Vial poured out, The Protestant Champions *Pavus, Polanus, Whitakers, Perkins, Andrews, King James* and others, pour light upon the Sunne of the Gospel, in writing against *Bellarmino, Stapleton, Campian*, and other Papists, *Revel. 16. 8, 9.* 1605.

5565. The fifth Vial is now pouring out, The *Swedes* in *Germany*, *An. 1632.* The English in *England*, 1640, combine against the Papists, Jesuies proscribed in *Poland* and *Swethland*, *Anno 1648.* This Vial shall end in the ruine of Rome, *Anno 1666.* *Revel. 16. 10, 11.* 1630.

5594. The sixth Vial beginneth to be poured out, Three barbarous Nations sack *Hydruntum* in *Apulia*, made enrodes into the Eastern Coasts of *Italy*, and sack them with fire and sword. Factions and Massacres in *Rome* and *Tuskey*. The Pope contemned and invaded, The Western Christians make an Army, and fire *Rome* in the 2479 year after *Romulus* laid the foundation thereof, as *Sibylla* prophesied. *Oracul. lib. 4. Revel. 16.* from ver. 12. to 17. 1659.

5595. The faithfull and true Warriour riding upon a white Horse 1660.

Ann. descendeth from heaven with his Souldiers riding upon white horses, to fight against the enemies of his Church. *Christi.* The Angel in the Sun calleth to all the fowles of heaven, to come to the feast of God, to eat the flesh of Kings, Captains, mighty Men and horses. Rev. 19. 11, 17, 18. And I saw the beast, and the Kings of the earth, and the Warriours gathered together, to warre against him that sat on the horse, and against his Souldiers. But the beast was taken, and with him the false Prophet, that worketh miracles before him, whereby he deceived them that have received the beasts mark, and them that worship his image: These two were cast alive into the lake burning with fire and brimstone. &c. Ibid. 19. 20.

5601. *Urbs antiqua ruit, multos dominata per annos:*

1666.

Destruiturq; armis gens scelerata suis.

Go out of her my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, nor receive of her plagues. Forasmuch (O Rome) as thou glorifiedst thy self, and livedst in pleasure, saying, I sit a Queen, am no widow, and shall see no sorrow: therefore shall thy plagues come upon thee in one day, death, sorrow and famine, and thou shalt be burnt with fire; for strong is the Lord God that judgeth thee. The Kings of the earth shall bewail thee, and thou shalt never more be inhabited, the light of a candle shall shine no more in thee, and the voice of the Bridegroom and of the Bride shall be heard no more in thee. Rejoyce (O heavens!) for righteous are Gods judgements. He hath condemned the great Whore. Then they sung Hallelujah, and her smoke arose up for evermore. Rev. 18. 7, 8, 20. & 19. 3.

5614. Rome being destroyed, Jews dwell amongst Protestants, and begin to search into the Scriptures, and learn the waies of God. 1679.

5618. A great Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* in *Leo*. The Jews converted in the West, prepare to unite with their Brethren in the East, and raise a Combination to propagate the Gospel and destroy the Headless Turks. 1684.

5622. Praise our God all ye his Saints and Servants, and ye that fear him both small and great. And I heard the voice of a great multitude both small and great, as it were the sound of many Waters, and as the voice of strong thundrings, saying, Hallelujah, for the Lord our God reigneth. Let us rejoyce and be glad and give glory to him, for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made her self ready. Rev. 19. 5, 6, 7. 1687.

5633. The dreadfull and terrible Battell of the Jews with the enraged Turks in the land of Judaea, where the Turks are destroyed with an eternall destruction. *Ezech.* 38. & 39. chap. all. 1698.

Sig and *Magog*, (viz. Turks and Tatarsians) gather themselves together to battell, whose Number is as the sand of the Sea, and they went up into the plain of the Earth, and encompassed the *Terr* of the Saints about, even the beloved City, but fire came down

Anno
Mundi.down from God out of Heaven, and destroyed them. *Revelas.*
20. 8, 9.Anno
Christi.

5635.

THE FIFTH MONARCHY.

1700.

5645.

AND I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away, and there was no more sea. The new Jerusalem came down from God out of heaven, trimmed like a Bride to meet her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, behold the Glory and Tabernacle of God with men, and he shall dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be their God with them: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, neither crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the first things are passed away. *Revel. 21. 1, 2, 3, 4, &c.*

1710.

5698.

No more *Germany*, no more any Western Empire or any footstep thereof; for God hath now transplanted his Gospel from Europe unto a more gratefull and pregnant soyl, which will bring forth the fruits thereof in due season.

1763.

5699.

Faint nona Progenies calo dominatur abo;

Exortitur, atq; Lucifer albus equis.

1764.

5702.

The holy Temple restored at Jerusalem: the holy utensils prepared: the glory of God filleth the house, God lovingly upbraided the Israelites for their infidelity and Idolatry, for which they were Vagabonds in all Coasts of the World 2400 years, without King, Law, Priest and Temple, and rehearseth their blessed and joyfull estate now being converted and victorious over all their enemies. *Ezech. 12. last chap. per tot.*

1767.

5705.

Behold I make all things new. *Revel. 21. 5.*

1770.

5728.

The Jewish Magistrates and Ministers labour in the Conversion of the World to the Gospel of God. *Ezech. 46. per tot.*

1793.

5765.

The seventh Vial poured out, And now are all things fulfilled which are contained in the Scriptures. After which all Nations may expect the coming of the great Judge, to render to every man according to his works.

1830.

Thus farre reacheth the Observations of *Gretner* and *Bau-*
densis.

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A true Ex-
plication of
that Number
in *Rev. 20. 8.*

BEfore I come to comment upon this Chronologicall Index, it will not be amiss to deliver that saying, *Revel. 20. 8.* (*And the Saints shall reign with Christ a thousand years*) from all those false Interpretations which have been fastned upon it, by *Papias, Bucholcherus, Scaliger, Brightman, Alsted* and others, and declare the true sense of it, as remotest from Innovation, and coming nearest the intention of the H. Ghost. There is in this 20 Chap. two severall Epoches of a 1000 years, which are two severall waies to be interpreted. The first is in *vers. 2.* of Satan being bound for a 1000 years; which must begin either at the Instant of our Saviours Incarnation, and end at *An. 1000.* in the 2^d year of the Popedome of *Sylvester II.* that infamous Sodomite, Necromancer, and Conjuror, under whom the filthinesse and Idolatry of the Romish Church was brought to the height: or rather they must begin at the Destruction of the 2^d Temple by *Titus*, which was *An. 71.* and end in *An. 1071.* in the Popedome of *Gregory VII.* aliàs *Hildebrand*, who first broke bonds of Allegiance with *Henry* the Emperour, excommunicated him, set the Gospel in a totall Eclipse, and Europe in the mournfull Flames of a civil Warre: but of this in the Chronology. But this in the 8 *vers.* of the Saints reigning with Christ a 1000 years, *Alsted, Bucholcherus* and others expound of a Comparative Felicity of the Church on this Earth, for a 1000 years, beginning *An. 1694.* when they say all visible Enemies "of the Church shall be overthrown, and must end *An. Ch. 2694.* after which "shall be the Warre of *Gog* and *Magog* against the Church, which shall be "prevented by the coming of Christ to judgement. But in this *Alsted* is wide from the right mark: for this number must begin *An. 1072.* at the expiration of the former, and must be interpreted for all that time that the World shall last after the afore said *An. 1072.* And the holy Ghost doth term this indefinite and unlimited time by the Number of a 1000 years, for three speciall Reasons: 1 Because a 1000 years are the Number of Perfection and of Eternity, and doth most aply serve to expresse the End of these Earthly Troubles, and the beginning of that Time which never shall have end. 2 Because those things which the holy Ghost in the Scriptures affirmeth are yet to come, must not be plenary accomplished till after *An. 1830.* it may please God that the glorious and flourishing estate of the Church and Gospel here upon Earth, may continue much of 200 years longer, to increase the number of them who shall be saved, and to amplifie more the heavenly Attributes of Gods Mercy, Righteousnesse, Truth, Holinesse and Omnipotency in the Salvation of the Just: and his Equity, Judgement and Uprightnesse in the firebrands of destruction. 3 Because a vicissitudinary time of Affliction and Ease, Persecution and rest, pure Doctrine and Heresies, is signified to be the whole continuance or most part of a 1000 years, wherein those who are to suffer for the Testimony of the Word of God, and the truth of Jesus Christ, shall have their reward after the expiration of that time, which cannot be till after the last generall Judgement. The fearfull and terrible

rible Warre of *Gog and Magog* (viz. the bloody Warre of Turks and Tartarians with the Jews newly converted in the Land of *Fury*, in which the very name of Turks shall be rooted from off the Earth) must be before the beginning of this glorious Estate and Felicity of the Church of God here upon Earth, and therefore the 7, 8, 9, and 10 verses, are in order of time before the 5 and the 6. The Devil and Antichristianity must be chained up in the dungeon of Hell for the space of a 1000 years after the Incarnation of Christ. *An. 1000* must the Devil and Romish Idolatry by the Popedom of *Sylvester* the second, be let loose to range upon Earth, and tyrannize over the Church for the most part of another 1000, ever till *An. 1698* (*memorus completus* being put here *pro incompleto*) before an happy and comfortable Estate of the Gospel can be brought forth to the World. Therefore all Christendome from this year 1650, must expect very sad and wofull daies, much persecution, bloodshed and savadge tyranny in every Kingdom of Europe (especially in *France, Spain, Italy, Swetland, Germany and England*) untill *An. 1698*. Some of those Kingdoms which have abandoned the superstition of the beast, shall by subtle allurements be perswaded to readmit and reestablish the same. Wofull and unsupportable Afflictions shall befall both the European Jews (which are the two Tribes of *Benjamin* and *Judah*, now resident in Christendom and *Turkie*) as likewise the ten Tribes, the Kingdom of *Israel* (who shall insensibly and miraculously arise out of the bowels of *Tartaria* and *India*, about *An. 1669*.) who nevertheless shall be so extraordinarily supported by God, that they shall stand in little or no need at all of the Christians. Because from this time of the Conversion of the Israelites for the space of 30 years, these 12 Tribes shall suffer much trouble, Heathens, Papists and Mahometans, shall strive to eradicate their name from under heaven, and yet all in vain; for an illustrious and heroick Prince (*2 Tribu Nephthali oriundus*) shall be their valiant and fortunate Commander, called *Michael*, not *proprio nomine*, but because he *Dan. 12. 1.* shall stand up and shew himself the Assertor and Protector of their Religion and Liberty. In which time shall be such troubles as never were, no, nor ever shall be to the end of the world. For like as the Christians had rest 30. years from the Ascension of Christ, and now have endured the fiery triall almost these 1600. years, since that time from the Heathen Emperors, and the Beast; so the Israelites, which shall 1600. years till *Anno 1668*. live without Prince, Law, Temple, Sacrifice, and true Religion (as *Hosea* prophesied *ch. 3. v. 4, 5.*) beginning now to be converted to Christ, shall have savage times of affliction and Butcheries for other 30. years (to welcome their conversion withall) till *Anno 1698*. when God shall grant rest from their enemies, and begin a peaceable estate of the Church.

The estate of England with other provinces of Europe from *Anno 1650*, to *An. 1698*.

Certain remarkable Numbers in Scripture, whereby the Epoch's of the ruine of Turk, Pope, and the conversion of the Jews are more fully strengthened.

VII.

Entering at length upon my Notes on the afore-said Chronology, I think it meet first to strengthen the former Epoch's of the ruine of Rome, downfall of the Turk and Tartar, and the Conversion of the Jews by the Conduct

duſt of certain memorable Numbers in holy Scriptures. Great and judicious Authors have with wonder and admiration obſerved the heavenly and imitable Method of holy Scriptures, how all the Myſteries and memorable Occurrences in the ſame are comprized in Numbers, how within the compaſſe of ſuch a Quantity of years, God alwayes divulged his Counſels, and manifeſted what he purpoſed ſhould be wrought among the children of men. So that in conſidering the admirable conſent and agreement of Times by things paſt, we may probably conjecture of things to come. From the

I.

Creation to the Flood was 1656 years: the Flood was a ſign of the Conſummation of all thoſe things which are to be fulfilled before the concluſion of time. *Anno Chriſti 1656*, let the Church of God expect with joy and comfort, the acting of the firſt Scene of the Tragedies of all thoſe European Kingdoms, which have been implacable Perſecutors of the Goſpel of

II.

Chriſt. The whole Government of *Mofes* (who was a ſecond *Nob* to the Church) is a ſhadow of the Kingdom of Chriſt. The Law continued in force 1529 years to the Paſſion of Chriſt: But 1598 years to the Deſtruction of the Temple by *Titus*: The Deſtruction of the Temple by *Titus* was according to the account of *Dionysius Exiguus, A.C. 69*. From thence reckon the Number of 1598 years, and you come to *A. 1667*; which is the year which ſhall ſmoke with the aſcending up of the Flames which conſume the Kingdom of the Beaſt. From the Nativity of Chriſt to his Re-
 parity in the preaching of his Goſpel by *Luther* and other eminent Miniſters are 1517 years: And from the beginning of the Reign of the *Maccabees* untill the Birth of Chriſt are 169 years: Put theſe two ſums together, and you come to *Anno 1686*, in which God having 18 years before enlightened the eyes of thoſe who for almoſt 2000 years have ſit in darkneſſe, and in the ſhadow of death, and having laid the Kingdom of the Beaſt and the falſe Prophet in the loweſt duſt, ſhall bring that people into the boſome of the true Church, which within 13 years after ſhall deliver his children from all

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adverſity. From the univerſal Deluge of man-kinde by the Flood to the beginning of the univerſal Captivity of the Church under *Nebuchadnezzar* beleaguering *Jeruſalem* are numbered 1698 years: So likewiſe from the Birth of the King of Kings unto the final Conſummation of the Miſeries, and reſtauration of the Felicity of the Church by the Deſtruction of *Gog* and *Magog*, ſhall be reckoned the very ſame Number of 1698 years. From the Conſuſion of the Tower of *Babel* to the return of the Jews from *Babel*, are 1666 years: and from prophane *Pompey's* ſpoiling of the Temple at *Jeruſalem* (when the Kingdom was taken from the houſe of *David*, and Superſtition and Gentiliſm began to ſpring up amongst the Jews) to the Birth of Antichriſt and Apoſtaſie in the Church of God are 666 years; from thence reckon a 1000 years wherein the Saints muſt ſuffer Perſecution and Martyrdom for the Teſtimony of Jeſus Chriſt, and the truth of a good Conſcience, *Revel. 20. 4.* and you come to *A. 1666*, in which ſhall be fulfilled all thoſe things which are mentioned, *Revel. 18.* and the 19. Chapter.

IV.

So likewiſe from the Departure out of *Egypt*, untill the Death of Chriſt, are numbered 1342 years: to theſe add thoſe 169 years, which are from the

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the beginning of the Reign of the *Assmonaei* or *Maccabees* to the Birth of Christ, and you come to Anno 1711; which year shall be wonderfull and terrible to all the world, because that in the year next going before (Anno 1710.) the abominable Names and mention of Papists, Turks and Tartars being eradicated from the memories of men, the glorious Estate of the Gospel, and the terrestrial Felicity of the Church of God shall begin over the face of the whole Earth. From the Birth of *Moses* untill the Destruction of *Jerusalem* by *Titus* (which signifies the end of the world) are 1646 years: so many from the Incarnation of our Saviour, denoted that year, whose influence hath begun, and shall prove fatal to most of the Kingdoms of Europe: adde to these 20 years to come after, from that time (which 980 years ago were prophesied of, to be those years, in which the Kingdom and the Dominion, and the greatness of Kingdoms under the whole Heaven, shall be given to the Saints of the most High, whose Kingdom is an everlasting Kingdom, and all Dominions shall serve and obey him, Dan. 7. 17.) and it will amount to the year of the fatal Ruine of the Beast, Anno 1666. From these few Particulars of the Consens and Agreement of times in the holy Scriptures, I infer thus much. About the year 1657 shall be great Changes and Alterations in Government in every Kingdom in Europe, as well Protestant as Papist, attended and accompanied with such horrid Combustions and Massacres, as hath not been before since the memory of man. This shall make way (as I said before) for the Protestants to unite in a general Combination to send Forces under the Conduct of an invincible Cyrus over the Alps to harrow Italy with fire and sword, and after level the walls of Rome with the lowest dust, Anno 1666. For as in the year of Grace 666, Popery was brought to a full maturity in the Womb by *Vulcan* (who ordained Latin-Service in the Church, contrary to Christs Institution, and the precedent Primitive times) and as 1000 the Number of Perfection and Eternity is seldom used in our ordinary Computes, but left out for brevity sake (as we use to say, The Spanish-Armado was in 588 for 1588, and the Powder-plot in 605 for 1605.) so it is most certain and indubitable, that as the Birth of Antichrist was in Anno 666, so the death of it shall be Anno 1666, though the Carcase of it may lie unburied for 30 years after, yet questionlesse it shall with *Gog* and *Magog* be cast into the Lake of Gods wrath at one and the same time. This ruine of Rome shall make way with, in ten years after to the Conversion of the Jews: For seeing the Kingdom of Antichrist (as now it is) is the only Let to their Conversion (for all the Jews that now are, live within the Papacy, and are prohibited from turning Christians, partly because of the Idolatry they see amongst the Papists in their worshipping of Images (the Jews being Zealots in the second Commandment) partly because at their Conversion with the Papists they must renounce all their goods as ill gotten, which rigid Condition a worldly people will never yield to) therefore till the very name and power of Popery be destroyed, and they admitted amongst Protestant Kingdoms, there can be small hope of their Conversion. But now Antichrist totally destroyed, they begin to see into their Errours and Ignorances, endeavour to learn the way

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A Prognostick of the Effects of certain years Of An. 1657

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of God, and that the Saviour of the world (whom they so long expected) is come so many years since and suffered. This Conversion of the Western Jews shall be completed in that farall and terrible year 1683. And six years after that shall they be united with their Eastern-Brethren the 10 Tribes captivated by *Salmassar*, who have for 2433 years lien invisible in the bowels of the Kingdoms of *Turks* and *Tartarians*. The Christian world neither must nor ought to enquire, how this people which have lien hid and obscured so long a space, shall in so small a time as a year and an half, so visibly, so powerfully, and so magnificently arise to the Terroure and Conquest of the whole Earth. The holy Ghost declareth, *Ezek.* 37. 8. by the dry bones, fleshed and indued with life in an instant, so that they stood upon their feet, and became a great Army; what a strange, horrid and wonderfull thing this shall be, and how terrible it shall appear to the sight of the world in that year; which within 15 years after (*viz. Anno 1698.*) shall fight that famous and fearfull pitch-field with the united Forces of *Turks* and *Tartarians*; which shall prove the Deliverance of the Church of God from all adversity. Thrice shall *Europe* within this time strive to establish that power, which Superstition and Tyranny first procreated: Thrice shall the children of this world raise innumerable Forces to destroy the Saints of the most high: Thrice shall the Power of Godliness prevail in the hearts and arms of those, who shall make the Land thrice drunk with the bloud of the Enemies of Christ; and whose grand Ancestours strew'd it so oft with the bloud of the Prophets and Apostles. Preparatives to these fearfull Wonders shall be those horrid and ominous Eclipses preceding the year 1660, farall and conspicuous to *Europe*; signs both of God's paternal Chastizements for Sects and Schisms in the Church, and of his consuming Judgements impending upon the implacable Enemies thereof.

Of the E-
clipse in *An.*
1654.

In the year 1654, *August 2.* shall happen a fearfull and lamentable total Eclipse of the Sun in the 39 Degree of *Leo*, about half an hour before high Noon, where shall be seen the mighty hand of God working Wonders in *Italy, Sicily, Bohemia, Greece, Armenia* and *Syria*, the Kingdoms subject to *Leo*. The body of the Sun in this Eclipse will be totally darkned for the space of two hours and 19 Minutes: it will be so great, the like hath not been before, nor after shall be: greater then that Eclipse of the Sun which was *Feb. 25. 1597.* commonly called the dark Saturday. Of this Eclipse thus "*Baudensis* M.S. fol. 105. *Exercit. 59. Papa, dum Petri patrimonium dilaturus, Italicum quendam Ducem possessionibus spoliabit avitis, &c.* The Pope attem-
" pring to enlarge *Peter's* Patrimony by seizing upon the ancient Estate of
" an Italian Duke deceased without Issue, sets his own Nest on fire, and
" Rome in a Combustion. This year shall a new Sect of Sodomitical Monks
" arise, which being tollerated by the Pope, sets that Quarrel betwix him
" and the Duke of *Florence*, which shall prove the downfall of both in a few
" years. This is affirmed likewise by *Grebner, Ban. 75.* Yet in the interim
" (saith *Baudensis*) God shall promote the happiness of *Jerusalem*, Peace
" shall be within her walls, and plenteousness within her Palaces. And fol. 134.
" *Exerc. 67.* he saith, The years 1657, 1698, 1661, 1663, shall be formidable
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Prognostica-
tion of *Anno*
1657, 1668,
1661, 1663.

"ble to *Austria, Silefia, Hungary, Holland, France and Portugal*, because that
 "every one of those years shall be attended with four Eclipses apiece, pre-
 "tending the Mutations of all those several States, and that the Revolution
 "of time is come, wherein they must give place to the Lion of the North,
 "whose Scepter shall bruise their power to nothing, and his Gauntlet lay
 "their Forces prostrate at his feet. At which time all *Europe* shall sing this
 "mournfull Dirty;

"*Hec mala progenies suis servata nefandis,*
 "*Genique nefandarum domitrix atrisque ferarum,*
 "*Quid fueris, quid hinc vide: tua prima propago*
 "*Bella geris, sibolémque potes lues atra secundam.*
 "*At Leo terribilis Borealibus editus oris*
 "*Fammiferam ex Orco & pelagi plangentibus undis*
 "*Educens aciem, pecudes, urbesque virisque*
 "*Sternet, & antiquis Splem Lundaque movebit*
 "*Sedibus; ille etiam patrio jure infima summa*
 "*Reddet, & Occasum sub lege missos incremet.*

Thus Englished.

Alas ill race, to dismall Fares reserv'd,
 By whom dire Beasts are tamed and preserv'd,
 See what thou wert and art: Thy first issue
 Inclines to War, Plague doth the next subdue.
 But Lion fierce sprung from the Northern shore
 Shall bring from deepest Hell and waves that rore
 A blasing Army, he shall men o' rerun,
 Cities and cartel, yea the Moon and Sun
 Shall he remove; and Father-like the least
 Make highest, and give Laws to the weak West.

Yet he that returns back in reviewall of the conjunctions and fiery Tripli-
 cities, may see how they have in part prognosticated the present troubles and
 and distractions of Europe, with the Common-wealths of *England and Scot-*
land. Anno 1603 in the first great conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, in the
 fiery triplicity, *K. James* came to the Crown of *England*, and so was fulfil-
 led that Prophecie which an holy Anchorite made 890 years agoe, *Englishmen*
 for that they wonnesb them to drunkenesse, to treachery, and rebelliousse of *God's*
 house, firsten by *Danes*, then by *Normans*, and the thrid time by *Scots*, whom they
 holden left worthen of all, they shalben be overcome. Then the world shalben be un-
 stable, and so various and diversible, that the unstableness of thought shalben be be-
 tookeincid by many manner diversity of cloathing. This could never be fulfilled
 but by a Scottish King swaying the English-scepter; and therefore never came
 to passe till the Union of the two Kingdoms under the said King. At the
 second Conjunction, Anno 1623. found *Germany* and most of the West inv-

A Descrip-
 tion of the 7
 fiery Tripli-
 cities.

volved in civil Wars, and as the third *An. 1643.* found the King and Subjects of England in the field one against the other; so the fourth Conjunction, *An. 1663* in Sagittarius shall begin those destructive Combustions in *Bab.* which shall allure the Protestant Armies to make a third all-conquering Party in the same; and the fifth *An. 1683* in *Leo* shall bring forth the Conversion of the Jews: but the sixth Conjunction happening in *Taurus*, *An. 1703*, shall behold that which many glorious Saints and children of God have read of, and rejoyced and desired to see, and yet could not see them. For now *Revel. 22. 1.* shall the Sea (that is, the miserable estate of the World by Wars, Desolations and Sickneses) be destroyed, and no more extant. Now shall the time of Tribulation, War and desolation, the time of torments, temptation, heresie and persecution be utterly abolished from the memory of men. For a new Heaven and a new Earth, a renovated Church, purified Saints shall succeed in the room of those Wolves, who in sheeps-cloathing devoured the Flock of Christ. These are the dayes, for the hope of which the stones of *Sion* cry day by day, though little esteeming seven thousand deaths in regard of that precious assurance graven in their Breasts, that they shall then, and in that day behold the Lord, which hath mercifully gathered them from all Nations, and hath so wonderfully preserved them from the sorcery of *Babylon* (which hath destroyed all the Earth) that leadeth them in and out before Pagans, Hereticks and Idolaters, before the covetous and foolish-wife of this world, so prudently and so invisibly, that they seeing are not seen, and living are not known.

The Exposition of Nebuchadnezzar's Image, in Dan. 2.

But from these low things let us ascend up to Scripture further to prove the certainty thereof. *Daniel's* Image as it gave the first, so it gave the fullest Knowledge of this great Mytery of the Church of God, *Dan. 2. per tot.* In which Image is described in brief the Estate of the World; from the very day God revealed this to *Daniel*, and he to *Nebuchadnezzar*, to the full and final End and Conclusion of time. By the golden Head, silver Arms, brazen Belly, and iron Legs, we must understand the *Chaldean*, *Persian*, *Macedonian* and *Roman* Monarchies, which successively one after another, tyrannized over mankind by cruelty, and by cruelty came to as miserable Destructions in the end. The feet part of Iron, and part of Clay, denoted the declining Estate of the Roman Empire (after that indiscreet Division of it under *Charles* the Great into the Eastern and Western) under the present Papacy, and now-vulturizing house of *Austria*, which hitherto doth and shall continue until *An. 1694.* Therefore the stone cut without hands (in the 34 verse) (which smote the Image on his feet, that were part of Iron, part of Clay, and so brake them to pieces, that the Iron, Brasse, Clay, Silver and Gold became as chaff of the summer-flowers that the winde carried them away, and no more place was found for them; And the Stone that smote the Image became a great Mountain, and filled the Earth) must needs be understood of a glorious Monarchy of the Church of God upon Earth, which by the Conversion of the Universal Nation of the Jews shall overcome all her Enemies, and reign triumphantly in all Nations under Heaven, in universality, uniformity, integrity and immortality of life and conversation.

This.

This blessed and happy estate of Christs Church upon Earth (after the
 aforesaid battel of *Gog* and *Magog* described *Ezech.* 38. and 39 Chap. of
 which enough before) is graphically deciphered in the nine last Chapters of the 13
 of the same Prophet, beginning at the 40; where under a specious and large of *Exposition*
 type of restoring the old Jewish Temple with the Sacrifices (*chap.* 40.) the
 measuring, ordering and disposing of it in every thing thereto belonging
 (*chap.* 41.) as the chambers of the Priests in the Temple, the holy Utensils
 (*chap.* 42.) the glory of God filling the house (*chap.* 43.) his paternall up-
 braiding the Israellites for their ancient Idolatry, and demonstrating his great
 and affectionate love to them for the present (*chap.* 44.) is contained (as I
 said before) a pithy discourse how powerfull and magnificent these new con-
 verted Christians shall be; how holy, learned and unanimous their Mini-
 sters should be, how ardent and studious they shall be in communicating the
 Gospel of Christ to such as yet sit in darknesse and in the shadow of death
 (*chap.* 45.) how vigilant their Princes and Magistrates shall be in being
 keepers of the house of God, that is in encouraging the Ministers, *nam pro-*
mo quam penā, to instruct the people in the knowledge of the truth, that so
 both Ministers and people may render due obedience to their common Savi-
 our, in love to God, and charity toward men. And again, the reserved por-
 tions of Land for the Temple, City, Priests and Princes all in just measures
 and dimensions, the waters issuing out of the Temple, ever increasing in Lau-
 titude and Profundity, the severall divisions of the particular lots of Priests,
 Temple, Levites, the City and the Princes secondarily repeated in the 45,
 46, 47, and the last Chapters, evidently declare the undoubted certainty and
 verity of this wonderfull mystery, that the Jews shall repossesse their ancient
 possessions and severall inheritances in the Land of *Judea*; how devout, pious
 and chearfull they shall be in the worship and service of God, intimated by
 the frequent performing of spirituall Sacrifices and Oblations: how potent
 and spacious their Church shall be, how great and infinite the Priviledges;
 and never decreasing Graces of God shall be to it, signified by the depth and
 latitude of the spiritual waters of Life.

Thirdly, *Daniel* in the end of his 11 Chap. doth above all other, most plain-
 ly and specifically picture the two grand preparations to this spirituall Mo-
 narchy of Christs Church in the end of the World: viz. 1 the *invadētia*
 of the enemies of God, and 2 the Conversion of the Jews. For in the 40,
 41, 42, and 43 verses of the said 11 Chapter, declaring first, what Victories
 the Saracens should get over the Roman Empire, by saying, *that the King of*
the South should push at him (viz. the Saracens should invade the Emperour)
 and secondly, what lamentable havock the Turk should make of the Roman
 Monarchy by conquering and subduing from them all the Eastern Empire of
 Constantinople, in these words, *And the King of the North shall come against him*
like a whirlwinde, with charres and horsemen and many ships, and shall enter into
the Countreys, and shall overflow and passe thorow; which was verified in the
 Turke conquering all Greece, *Syria*, *Moldavia*, *Servia*, *Afia*, *Syria*, *Mesopotamia*
 and the Isles of the *Ægean* sea: *And he shall enter into the pleasant Land,*
and many Countreys shall be overthrown, but these shall escape out of his hands,
Edom.

Edom and Moab, and the chief of the Children of *Ammen*, which also came to passe when *Selimus I.* invaded *Egypt*, slew *Tomumbez* the Sultran thereof, eradicated the very name of the Mamalucks, and so got all the wealth and treasures of *Memphis* and *Grand-Cairo*, and added also, *Judea* as a member of *Egypt* to the Turkish Empire, *An. 1517*. His son *Solyman* the Magnificent, awed *India* and *Ethiopia*, and his Grandchilde *Selimus II.* conquered *Tunis* and *Algiers* in *Affrique*, yet neither of them medled with the *Arabians*, *Edomites* or *Moabites*, as thinking them a people not worth conquering. In the 44 verse, *Daniel* saith, *But 17 days out of the East and West shall trouble him*, the conversion of the Eastern and Western Jews, shall so inrage the Turke, that he shall levy innumerable Forces, and march forth in great fury to destroy and root them out: *And he shall pitch the Tabernacle of his Palace between the seas in the glorious and holy Mountain*, shall fight a most terrible and bloody pitched Field with them in their own Land of *Fury*, and yet shall he come to his end, his power, by God's Providence, shall be overthrown, and totally eradicated by them from off the Earth, and none shall help him.

The Exposition of Rev. 9. 15. Lastly, *S. John* in *Revel. 9. 15.* seneth down in plain and evident numbers, the very beginning, increase and downfall of this hellish generation. For in saying *the Turkish Armies shall be prepared at an hour, a day, a month, and a year*, he analogically declareth the very time of their birth, and the year when they shall come to a finall annihilation. Here a *Day* is to be taken prophetically for a year, a *Month* for 31 daies, which likewise make so many years, and a year for the daies of a bissextile Julian year (which are 366) making in the same manner as many prophetical years as in the former Epoch's of *Daniel* and *Ezekiel*. So the sum's of 366, 31 and 1, make a compleat Product of 398 years, which added to *An. 1300* (the year in which the *Ottoman* Empire first saw light in the world) plainly demonstrates, that as the *Turkish* Empire began *An. Christi 1300*, so in *An. 1698* shall be the fatall end and finall downfall of the same. Thus it is evident, that as the downfall and captivity of the Jewish Nation fell in the building and birth of that City, which was afterward the fourth Monarchy; so in the buriall and ruine of the same City and Monarchy shall be their conversion to the Gospel of truth, and the institution of the Fifth Monarchy; in which all power, and earthly magnificence must submit to the Kingdom of the Saints of God, and all Scepters bow to the Authority of the Church of Christ.

The common Objection of Divines against the V. Monarchy and the universal Kingdom of the Gospel here upon Earth, drawn from the badness of the Times,
Answered,

VIII.

Against these former Assertions it is thus objected: That these are but the Dreams of idle-headedmen, considering the sad Method of the World in the continuall increase of sin and wickednesse, and degeneration of all sub-lunary things daily more and more to worse; and because our Saviour said, at his second coming he should scarce finde faith upon Earth. But to this I answer; No time is God's time for the propagation of the Gospel, and enlargement of his Church, but in the Deluge of sin and inundation of impiety; then is his Power most manifest, when man is weakest; his Decrees most effectible,

effectible, when we think him the furthest off; and his Providence nearest
 execution, then, when the world is most irregular, and incapable of a Re-
 formation. When the Abominations and Paganismes of the old World had
 destroyed all true worship of God, and an 120 years of repentance did no
 good, then was God's time to separate the Wheat from the Chaffe, and by
 saving of *Noahs* family to preserve a seed for the implantation of a new. So
 in the new World, when Idolatry had overspread all, the Judgement and
 Mercy of God most appeared in *Abrahams* Vocation, by selecting his
 Church from the rest of mankind, and continuing it above 2000 years in
 the House of *Heber*, the true Heir to Grace and Salvation. Thus was it in
 the destruction of *Sodome* and *Gomorrah*, in the Babylonish Captivity, in the
 Reformation by *Luther*, when all the world were become Apostates, God's
 Providence shone out brightest, and was most conspicuous in propagating
 Religion, manage all the opposition the devil and the world could invent or
 devise: So shall it be in this prefixed time: though the world must degene-
 rate more and more in civility and humanity; Christianity be eclipsed in a
 higher measure, and the true Worshippers of God decrease above what ever
 yet hath been done: though Protestantisme in many Coasts and Kingdoms
 shall be totally swallowed up of Popery and Mahumeranism; more lamen-
 table Warres and fearfull Massacres rage through *England*, *Germany*, *France*,
Spain, *Italy*, and all European Monarchies, then we have yet beheld; and
 though some of these Kingdoms wholly revolt to Popery, others be luke-
 warm and at a stand, untill *An. 1686*; yet all these shall but make way for
 the final Eradication of the enemies of the Church, and the glorious and
 wonderfull Birth, and erection of the FIFTH MONARCHIE
 UNIVERSALL, which by these pangs and sorrows of Christendome
 shall be brought forth about the time of the totall conversion of the Jews.
 For the season is now come, when Judgement must begin (not at the Tem-
 ple of Antichrist) but at the House of God; and what blood soever is shed
 upon the soyl of the Church, shall be no other then fruitfull showers and
 warm seasons, to make the Field of Christ more pregnant in production of
 that glorious Harvest of Saints, which shall cover the Earth. For as it shall
 be in the end of the World, this old, decrepit, and corrupt world must be
 purged and refined with the fire of the Lord, before there can be placed in
 stead thereof a new Heaven and a new Earth: So in the final Conclusion
 of the troubles of the Church, warres, Apostasies, alterations and changes in
 Kingdoms and States, the *mynde* of *Gog* and *Magog*, and all the enemies
 of Christ, the amputation of unprofitable Trees, and eradication of noxious
 Weeds out of the Garden of the Church, shall facilitate and prepare the way
 for the ingresse of the Monarchy of the Gospel into the eyes of the world. Far
 wide therefore is the Surmise of those Christians, how this doctrine of the
 universall Regiment of the Church upon earth is a vain glorious and fanta-
 stick dream, considering the hopes of it now are small, and like to be lesser,
 because charity and devotion daily decreaseth: Nay rather this is the most
 evident sign that it speedily approacheth, because the malice of the devil with
 the corruption of mankind, hourly augmenteth and strives to stifle and pre-
 vent

vent it. If God be known to be God by bringing light out of darknesse, and manifesting his power in weaknesse; then certainly shall these warres and schismes among Christians, the barbarous invasions and conquests of Turkes and Tartars, the encreasing Idolatry of the Western and Eastern Indians, be an Axe in the hand of God, to lop off all superfluous branches from his Vine, to make it overspread with nourishing fruit, the Globe of the whole Earth.

Certain Epigrams of Petrus Damiani of the ruine of Turk and Pope, &c. never yet before printed.

And that these are no novell Opinions, these following Testimonies may give sufficient evidence, Petrus Damiani flourished Anno 1060. a laborious Divine, an acure Philosopher, and a witty Poet. Gesner and other Bibliothecaries say nothing of him is extant. Yet I have seen in the Library of Trinity-Colledge in Cambridge certain Latine Epigrams of his, Of the conversion of the Jews, Of the destruction of the world by fire in the last day, Of the ruine of Rome, and Of the last Judgement, which Latine Epigrams I finde translated into English Stanzas in an old Manuscript of L. B. intituled *The Dove*.

n. Of the Burning of the world by fire.

*Primum sedavit mundum scelerata libido,
Cujus quàm ad celum flammæ massa venit,
Diluvium immisum est, immensumque obruit orbem,
Ut mala tanta pjs eluerentur aquis:
O dira Ebrietas mundi fax prima secundi,
Te opposita interiment atque elementa prement.
Justitiam Domini in cunctis sic cernimus actis,
Unda lavat venerem, pocula flamma bibet.*

Thus Englished.

As the first world did first by lust offend,
Whole burning rage to such a height did win;
That God to quench the same a Flood did send,
O Drunkenesse, the second world's first sin
The course of Vice that Element must end,
Which is opposed to that which did begin.
In every thing Gods justice we may spie,
As Floods drown Lust, Flames Drunkenesse must dry.

2. Of the ruine of Rome.

*Effuge, Grex Christi, peccati à Gurgite dno,
Qui merentis odia est, atque corona triplex,
Effuge,*

*Effuge, dum Tempus datur, et fera praelia cessant;
 Ne us in delitias, sic sua damna feras.
 Quam jam funestas Agnus superaverit hostes,
 Pingue gregisque epulum militibusque dabis.
 Se mentem metes hac meretrix, quam sevis, eandem:
 Jam Sathana sedet, qua Domina orbis erat.*

Thus Englished.

Fly, Faithfull Christians, from that Sea of sin,
 Who hate the Whore, and the two-horned Beast;
 Fly, fly, in time before their griefs begin,
 Lest as their pleasures, so their plagues you taste.
 When once the Lamb the victory doth win,
 He of such things will make his Flock a Feast.
 Who as she sowed, so shall she reap those evils,
 Once the worlds Mistress, now a Cage of devils.

3. Of the conversion of the Jews.

*Postquam Evangelium toto narretur in orbe,
 Fulget et ignotis nostris genitoribus orb,
 Quam Genes Christum agnoscentes generaliter omnia.
 Quas Deus æternam æthere dignabitur aula,
 Tunc amplectetur verum Solymæ propago,
 Quod prius invidia tam aversabatur iniqui:
 Ultima Evangelium, Legem quæ prima recepit,
 Quas decus primos, postremos Christum habebis.*

Thus Englished.

The Gospel once being preach't in every place,
 To lands of which our Fathers could not tell,
 And when the Gentiles all are drawn to Grace,
 Which in the new Jerusalem should dwell.
 Then shall the stubborn Jews the Truth embrace,
 From which with such disdain they did rebell:
 Who first the Law, last shall the Gospel have,
 Christ whom he first did call, shall last receive.

4. Of the last judgement.

*Indictum Tempus, quod totum terræ orbem,
 Per prædicta homines signis monere solet.*

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Prælia

*Praetia, Evangelium mundo vulgatur, adorant
 Judaei Christum, cognata jam meretrix:
 Zelus hebet, Stellasque cadentes, feris chimera regnant,
 O Egra fides languet, Daemonis ira furit:
 Ultima jam genus omne malorum buccina clangit,
 Supremamque diem signa tremenda notant.*

Thus Englished.

That threaten'd time which must the world appall,
 Is that all may amend by signs foreshown.
 Wars rumor'd are, the Gospel preach'd o're all,
 The Jews convert, the Antichrist is known.
 Devils rage, Vice reigns, Zeal cools, Faith fails, Stars fall,
 All sorts of plagues hath the last Trumpet blown.
 And by prodigious signs may plain appear,
 That of the Son of man the time draws near.

Prophecies
 of Hierony-
 mus Savan-
 rola.

Thus by this great Divine living in the mistick times of Popery, it may plain appear, that it was a received opinion that the total destruction of Rome, the conversion of the Jews, and the fifth Monarchy should precede the end of the world. And this is also confirmed by Hieronymus Savanrola (who died a Martyr at Florence, A. 1498.) whose Prophecies are extant in the works of Franciscus Mirandula. That in the last times Jews, Turks and Moors should be converted to Christ, a man like Cyrus with a numerous Army of true professors should come over the Alps and destroy Rome, and ransack all the Kingdoms and States of Italy. That grievous Wars, Blood-sheddings and Massacres should arise in the world by a Northern King for a happy Reformation, who should carry the Gospel out of Europe into a vast and unknown world in the end of time. That an Eastern King should blow the Trumpet of God from Tartaria, which should reform all the Islands of the Indian Infidels. He likewise prophesied in particular of Julio the second, of the troubles of the Duke of Mirandula, Of Luther's Reformation, Of the Persecutions of Merindol, Chabrier, Angrogne, the Valloline, and other places of France, all which most evidently came to passe.

A Prophecy
 lately found
 in France, of
 the future es-
 tate of the
 world till
 A. 1710.

Thirdly, A Prophecy of the estate and condition of the times unto the end of the world, was found written in Hebrew under the Foundation of the Church of S. Denis in France, A. 1616. by the Sexton of the place, as he digged for the erecting of a Monument for the Lord Taligni. He gave it unto the Popes Nuncio (who rewarded him with 100 dollars for his pains) from him it was sent to the Cardinal of Bruges, who presented it unto the young K. Lewis XIII. It was written in punishment, and wrapped in lead in the form of an Heart: Hebrew numerick letters were set at the side of every Line, signifying in what Year of our Lord every accident should come to passe, and be manifested to the world. Out of Hebrew it was translated into Latine by Johannes Parmarino Secretary to the said Cardinal.

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The Prophecie runs thus.

Anno
Christi.

1661
1665
1666
1667
1678
1686
1693
1699
1700
1710

*Obruit Italian sive Mars impius astra.
Unica sine Christo pascua, campus, oves.
Totum operis mundum terror & ira Dei.
Pauci Jebocan venerantur.
Inclutus exurgit factis Heros.
Europatenitis Asia urget metus.
Generalis Terra motus ruit.
Agnoscent omnes Gentes Deum.
Flumina siccantur ubique.
Pastor & Ecclesia unica.*

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The heat of war doth Italy surround,
Let Christ's pasture be one, his sheep and ground.
Gods wrath and terror doth the world confound.

But few that God do reverence.

A Prince shall rise of eminence.

Asia doth tremble, Europe shake.

Now is a generall Earthquake.

All Nations Gods knowledge partake.

Rivers are dried every where.

Pastor and Church only one are.

By this Prophecy great troubles must arise in Italy within this small time, cruell wars afflicting every State thereof, which must be preparations to the eternall destruction and ruine of Rome the head City thereof: Rome can never be destroyed except Protestants lay aside their unnecessary civill contentions, which may (God so disposing) come to them about Anno 1665. After which great commotions are like to arise in Europe, till a noble Hero arise, which shall quench those evils by employing Christians in mutuall Leagues against the Turk. Suddenly after which comes troublesome daies in Asia and Africk. Then follows universall peace and quietnesse of Nations, prophesied

of by *Ezechiel* and *S. John* in the Revelations, which must bring forth the purity and perfection of the Gospel over the whole Earth.

X.

The true Explanation of the Prophecy of the continuance of the Turkish Empire, found in M. Fox's Acts and Monuments, pag. 746.

Of how large an extent the Turkish Empire should be, how far it should prevail against Christendome, when it should be at the height, and when Christians should begin to cry quits with them by victories and conquests, is long since extant in ancient Prophecies. One whereof M. Fox in his first Volume of *Acts and Monuments*, pag. 746. antiq. edit. relates he found in the Persian language in a Manuscript of *Barbolanary Georgienar*: the substance whereof in Latine is this.

Imperator noster veniet, Ethnici Principes Regnum capiet, rubrum quoque pomum capiet, inque suam potestatem rediget.

Quod si in septimum usque annum Christianorum gladius non insurrexerit, usque ad duodecimum annum eis dominabitur. Domos edificabit, vineas plantabit, hortos sepibus muniet, liberos progrediet, et post duodecimum annum Christianorum gladius apparebit, et Turcam quaque versum in fugam aget.

Our Emperour shall come, he shall take the Kingdom of a heathen Prince, he shall also take the red apple, and subdue it to himself.

But if the Christians sword shall not arise by the seventh year, he shall reign over them to the twelfth year, he shall build houses, plant vineyards, hedges in Orchards, and beget children, and after the twelfth year shall the Christians sword appear, and put the Turk to flight on every side.

M. Fox expounds these 12 years to be 12 Turkish Emperours prevailing against Christians, beginning at the first Emperour *Ottoman* An. 1300. and so *Solyman* the magnificent to be the twelfth Emperour, and the last that should prevail against Christians, who began his reign An. 1519. and died An. 1567. But I think rather it must begin at *Mabomet* the II. winning of Constantinople (called here *rubrum pomum*) An. 1452. and must end at the late Emperour *Mabomet* the IV. his death the last August, 1649. My reason is this: Other Emperours have prevailed against Christians, since *Solyman* the magnificent. For *Selimus* the II. his son won *Cyprus* from the *Venetians*. *Armurath* III. took the Fort *Guiermo* from the Hungarians, and his son *Mabomet* III. took *Agria* in Hungary, and had he pursued his victory, had won that whole Kingdom in lesse then a year: So the late *Mabomet* is the 12 Emperour from *Mabomet* the II. and now after his death shall the Turks prevail no more against Christians. For forty years agoe that Kingdom was at a stand, and is declining to an eternall destruction. The sword of the Christians shall now arise and prevail against the Turks till An. 1696. when the converted Jews shall gather head to overcome them in a bloody pitch field, and root out their name from off the Earth. By this young Emperours decess without issue, the Ottoman Line is extinct, and none left. One *Sultan Hali* (a Persian by birth) is now Steward of the Ottoman house, and the Crim-Tartar by old composition and agreement layeth claim to the Turkish Empire, which at present is in combustion because of this.

And

And though above 300000 Turks are in the Field, with an intent (as is thought) to invade Germany, yet if Christians could but leave off their unnecessary divisions, they might soon ruinate the Turkish Empire. For since *Amurat* IV. his death, *An. 1642.* (who began to reign, *An. 1623.*) all the time of this late *Mahomet's* reign, since there hath been continuall contentions and massacres amongst the Turks, the Jannizaries eluding and despising the young and weak Emperour, which terrified the Musli and the Bassa's fore, because they had a prophecy, that as a *Mahomet* wan Constantinople, so a *Mahomet* should lose it again to the Christians. However the matter goes for the present, the year 1698 shall be farall both to them and to the Pope in both their ruines, and the beginning of the comparative felicity of the Church of God, as may be further manifested by an excellent Prophecy, which the learned *Erasmus* received from *Reuchlinus*, and was found in the study of *Justus Lyppius* by *Janus Douza* the younger, running thus.

A Prophecy of the year 1698, found in the study of *Justus Lyppius*.

*Post mille expletos à partu Virginis annos,
Et post sexcentos rursus ab orbe datas,
Nonagesimus octavus mirabilis annus
Ingruet, is secum gaudia læta feret.
Corruet hoc anno Turcarum invisa propago;
Roma, tuum in libro fabula nomen erit.
Omnia tunc mundi sursum ibunt atq; retrorsum
Imperia, ut populos sceptrâ novella premans:
Utq; suum cunctas Verbum diffundat in oras.
Christus, & imperiet nomine ubiq; suo.*

Thus Englished.

Six thousand years from Virgins birth expir'd,
Six hundred after that acquir'd,
The famous ninety eighth year shall come on,
Full of great Contentation.
This year the Turkish hatefull race shall rue,
Rome shall a fable be, not true.
Then shall be tost all Kingdoms of the World,
And into a new Kingdom hurl'd:
That into all coasts Christ his Word may spread,
And be alone the Peoples Head.

XI.

The two Books of *Ezra*s are thought (and that by none of the least learned, as *Augustine*, *Hierome*, *Ambrose*, *Tostatus*, *Scaliger* the elder, *Melancthon*, *Arrias Montanus*, *Bucer*, and *Bibliander*) to be Canonically, because of the most evident fulfilling of many predictions in them contained. In the 11 chap. of the second of these Books, there is under the type of an Eagle, a ma-

A true Exposition of *Ezra* 11. ch.

nifest prophetic both of the Roman Heathenish Empire, as likewise of the Papacy with her chief Leaguers to this present time throughout the whole Chapter. This Eagle is that Roman Heathenish Empire; her twelve feathered wings are the twelve first Emperours from *Julius Caesar* to *Nerva* *Claudius*. The three Heads are the three Kingdoms of *France*, *Spain* and *Germany*, preordained of God to uphold and maintain the power of her pride, when all her wings (her heathenish and tyrannicall *Cesars*) should fail her. Nevertheless, under her 12 first *Cesars* are comprehended in generall all the Emperours which reigned in her from *Julius Caesar* (who first crackt the strings of her liberty) to *Augustulus Momyllus* (her last Roman *Cesar*) for the space of 474 years. Her 8 contrary feathers are the 8 terrible inundations of severall Nations from the North (God's scourges) which overwhelmed her fairest Provinces, sunk her State in blood, and by fire and sword humbled her as low as the dust she trod on; viz. 1 *Alaricus* and his West-Goths, 2 *Attila* and his Huns, 3 *Gensericus* and his Vandals, 4 *Odoacer*, 5 *Theodoricus* and his East-Goths, 6 *Fotilas* and his Spaniards, 7 *Alboinus* and his Longobards (who deposed her diminutive *Cesar Augustulus Momyllus*) 8 and lastly, the intestine homebred Faction and Conspiracy, which proved more pernicious then the rest (as all included diseases are the worst) which in the reigns of *Otho the Great*, *Otho III.* and *Frederique II.* so often strove to eradicate the Papall Superiority, and redise her S.P.Q.R. buried so many ages ago out of the ruins of the City. The Head in the midst is the *Germane Empire*, begun *An. 801* on Christmas day, by *Charles the Great*, which though *vers. 32.* it long did and yet doth put the Earth in great fear, yet *vers. 33.* must vanish in an instant, as did the Wings, and come to nought. The *Germane Empire* thus destroyed, *vers. 35.* The Head on the right side (the Kingdom of *Spain*) must devour the Head on the left side, which is the Kingdom of *France*. Therefore it is manifest, That the Kingdom of *France*, though now it flourisheth in what Glory and Magnificence Earth can afford, must ere long be humbled by the power of *Spain*, with many Discomfitures, and brought to dolefull streights and great perplexities. I my self have observed one remarkable Adjunct of that Kingdom in particular, how that year (in which the Figures of the Golden Number were equall to the Figures of the year of Christ) hath ever proved fatal to that Monarchy for Warre, Bloudshed, Pestilence and Famine. It was so with them from *An. 1570* to *An. 1576.* in all which seven years, the Guisian faction made lamentable havock of the Church of God and the Kingdom; so shall it be in that year in which the final Tragedy of that Kingdom shall be acted, six years after which *France* shall be no more. But when that shall be, no sign of *Europe* shall remain, nor remembrance where the wals of *Rome* stood. The LION (which *vers. 37.* and *chap. 12. v. 34.* came roaring out of the Wood speaking to the Eagle, and rebuking her for her wickedness) is the WIND which the most high God hath kept for *Rome* and her wickedness till the end, even the LION OF THE NORTH (of which you shall hear anon a Prophesie of the true *Messias*) which shall reprove the Roman Empire, and cast before her her spoils; he shall

shall set her alive in Judgement, rebuke, and correct her, and deliver the residue of Gods people by Affliction which are preserved upon his borders and make them joyfull untill the day of Judgement. In the 13 Chapter, *Esdra* beholds a vision of a man riding out of the Sea, and devouring the multitudes of fighters that came against him, neither with sword, spear nor any instruments of Warre, but only with the fire and storm that came out of his mouth; which is Christ the son of man, who through a sea of bloody persecutions and tribulations propagated his Gospel over the Earth, confounding and devouring the multitudinous Pagans and Idolaters fighting against Christians, by the invincible force of the Gospel. After a long time of the obstinate wilfulness and fullness of the Gentiles, he shall call to himself another peaceable multitude, *ver. 12, 40.* even the whole Nation of the Jews, out of *Armenia, Tartaria,* and the Eastern *Indis*, whom God shall defend and convert to the Gospel, when he shall destroy all other Nations upon Earth. These are called the peaceable People, because after the conversion of the Jews, shall come that Ministeriall Monarchy of the Church over the whole World; that *peaceable and still Time*, when all Kingdoms under heaven shall forget fighting one against another, Warres shall cease in all the World, and swords and spears shall be beaten into Plowshares and pruning hooks. When the seventh Angel blew the Trumpet, *Luther* began his Reformation, then it is, when the Multitude stood before the Lamb, and sung the new song of *Moses*; and then nevertheless is but the vail only of the Tabernacle opened in heaven, and a great cloud and smoak covered that Glory. But it must be 180 years after, when the Kingdoms of this World become the Kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ, and those be destroyed that destroyed the Earth. For then and not till then shall the Temple of God be fully opened in Heaven, and the Ark of his Testament (the very same modell, which God showed to *Moses* in the Mount) shall be seen in *Jerusalem*, not in a Tabernacle, but in that Temple, which the power of God shall make. Then shall lastly, the four Beasts, the Elders, with all the Angels of Heaven, and all the creatures of Heaven and Earth, and of the Sea and under the Earth fall down before the Throne, and give glory, honour, blessing and praise unto him that sitteth on the Throne, and to the Lamb forever, and the four Beasts shall say, *Amen.*

XII.

I have heard many Jews discoursing of this their glorious Restauration and Religion to come. They say, they never possessed (no, nor in the time of *David* and *Solomon*, when their Kingdom was largest) an half of that which God promised in *Deuteronomy* and *Joshua*. Indeed it is said in *Joshua*, No good thing failed of what God promised, but this is to be understood of their peaceable settlements in what *Joshua* then conquer'd, not of the utmost boundaries of what they were to possess towards the end of Time. From *Euphrates* to the red Sea, all the Coasts on the West to the great Mediterranean Sea, with *Tyrra* and *Sidon*, on the North *Hamath* and *Celestia*, even in length

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from *Lebanon* to *Egypt*, was to be the confines of this sacred Commonwealth. Now if we consider, what a Moiety of this was possessed by *Lot*, *Ammon*, *Esau*, the Kings of *Tyrus* and *Sidon*, the *Philistines* with *Syria*, we may plainly see, that more than an half was never their own, of what God promised. In confidence of possessing which, and all the world beside in time to come, in their great *Hosanna* they shake Balmes in their hands, in triumph towards the four coasts of heaven, to intimate that in their universal Empire every tree of the wood shall clap hands, and sing for joy. It is strange, and makes me give more credit to *Esdras* then otherwise I would, to see how pat he goes with our Saviour Christ, in affirming the second Captivity of the Jews to be long, and that their return should be about the ruine of the *Roman* Empire. He relates how the ten Tribes (soon after their Captivity by *Salmannasser*) travelled through a great River or Strait (perhaps the Streits of *Anian*) in a long journey of many moneths or years to a Country not inhabited. Yea many good Authors, who write of the Histories of *America*, relate how the *Maxicans* have a Tradition (delivered from father to son, time out of minde) of a great multitude coming a great journey into those parts with an Ark carried before them on mens shoulders, with their God inclosed therein. These people certainly were Jews, from whom they learned Circumcision (which our travellers finde in most of their Coasts) with other Rites of Tribes, Heads of Tribes and Families, with some handsome Ceremonies of Marriages, Funerals and Washings, directly the same with the Jews or Israelites. But to prove, that the Israelites were first placed in *Media* and *Carmania*, and from thence removed into *India*, let us return a little back, and survey Scriptures and some approved Authors. When *Salmannasser* King of *Assyria* carried the ten Tribes into Captivity (in the fifth year of the reign of *Hezekiah* King of *Judah*) he was a Prince of spacious Dominions and invincible forces, as comprizing within his Empire all *Media* and *Persia*, *Mesopotamia*, *Assyria*, all *Arabia* and *Ethiopia* inferiour to the confines of *Egypt*, all *Syria* and *Palestine* (save only the poor exhausted Kingdom of *Judah*) and lastly *Armenia* with all the Coasts bordering upon the *Caspian* and *Euxine* sea, as farre as *Tartaria*. By this it will be hard to define in which Province of his Empire he placed them, out of his Dominions we may well think he would not abandon them. In the 2 *King*. 17.6. it is said that he placed them in *Hala* and *Habor* by the River of *Gozan*, and in the Cities of the *Medes*. Which *Hala* (or rather *Chala*) and *Habor* by affinity of pronounciation, can be no other then *Colchis* and *Iberia*, two Provinces of *Armenia*, the first bordering upon the *Euxine*, the latter upon the *Caspian* sea and the confines of the *Tartars*. East of *Armenia* lies *Media*, in the Cities of which, a great part of the Israelites were likewise placed to inhabit. North of *Armenia* is the entrance into those immense and indiscoverable Nations of *Muscovites* and *Tartars*, the utmost limits of whose Kingdoms were never yet fully known. The chief River of which Countries arising farre beyond the *Hyperborean* Territories, after a wearisome travel through many Nations and Provinces, disburthens it self at last into the *Caspian* sea, at the very entrance into *Armenia*, where it is called *Zolga* (though our Mariners call it *Volga*) which is nothing else but a

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Metathesis or a bad pronunciation of the word *Gozen*. So that that saying of *Ben-Gerion* is true (if that Manuscript be his which Gallo-Belgic fathers upon him, yet visible in *Bibliotheca Florentina*) *Salbimadgar* (saith he) "*rex Assyrius, exciso Samaria regno, decem illas Tribus, quæ à divino cultu tandiu ante defecerant ad Idolatriam; abductas in Captivitatem conlocavit in Faso, Aluzi, Loride, & Bascapante civitatibus Colchidos; & Iberia Armeniacum provinciarum, & in Echazana & Bocchu urbibus Media juxta Pontum Euxinum, & mare Caspium.*" Thus by the testimony of this great Rabbi it is manifest that the Opinion of those men is fond who think the ten Tribes to be utterly lost; thus likewise is it plain that the Jews Conversion must first arise out of the East, and that *Fasum, Alwais, Loris*, and *Bascapan* Cities of *Colchis* and *Iberia*, and *Echazana* and *Bocchu* Cities of *Media* were the places, where *Salmanaſer* (called here *Salbimadgar*) placed these Israelites in name, but Pagans in nature. And *John Lunclay* in his *Pandects* of the Turkish History, fol. 769. writes, how there are certain Hoords (Troops or Families) of people near the more Northern parts of *Tartaria*, which retain the names of *Dan, Zebulum* and *Nephali*, and in the vicinity of *Rega* there is a certain barbarous Nation of *Letti*, which for three moneths in the year perpetually wander up and down the fields, having these words *Jure-shele-maschalom* continually in their mouth, as a kinde of lamentable tune or mournfull Ditty: by which words Authours credibly suppose are meant *Jerusalem* and *Damascus* the two head cities of *Judah* and *Israel*. He that diligently reads the history of these X. Tribes in Scripture, after their revolt from the house of *David*, and combination with *Jeroboam* in erecting Idolatry, may see that they were a Nation quickly overgrown with Heathenism, cruelty, and barbarousness, wholly become abominable Pagans in nature, manners, life, condition and conversations; as if they had had *Numa Pompilius* to their Father, and not *Abraham* the faithfull: they only kept Circumcision and the names of their Progenitors in remembrance, but had quite forgotten the Stories of their religion and piety, thence it came to passe that in this their Captivity, being transported and implanted among those Nations, they quickly conjoynd and counited with them in marriage and affinity (being already long before coupled with them in Idolatry) and so ceased to be called Israelites, but being now all one people, were called by the names of *Armenians* and *Medes*. That these Israelites likewise inhabited part of *Tartaria*, and from thence spread into *India* and the *East*, and that they likewise possessed a part of the *Caucasian Mountains* mingled with a people, which *Herodotus* calls *Uxexes*: (a word not unakin to *Turks*) is manifest by these undeniable Reasons.

1. Because the *Colchians*, *Iberians*, and a great part of *Tartaria* used Circumcision in most ancient times; long before the building of *Rome*, which they could not have received from any people else but from these Israelites, who 30. years before the foundation of *Rome* were sent to inhabit among them.

2. The *Crim-Tartars* derive their Progeny from *Samſon* (hence so many of them have been called *Samſon*, an obscure Notion of *Samſon*) and in imitation of him wear long hair; which could not have been, except they had

had had their Originall from those people from whom they had the memory of *Sampson*.

3. The names likewise of *Moses*, *Aharon*, *Cham*, *Selim*, or *Solyman* (a vicious Pronunciation of *Sblemo* or *Solomon*) were proper names of men amongst the Turks long before ever they broke into Asia. Now what times the Turks first broke into Asia, Chronologers agree not among themselves: Some say they broke through the Caspian Streits into *Armenia major* (now *Turcomania*) An. 844. But I rather suppose their first Irruption into Asia was 20. years after the death of Alexander the great, about An. M. 3718. when the Parthians shook off the Macedonian yoke, and began their Empire: for in those times we read in *Mela*, *Pliny* and *Herodotus*, that a barbarous and savage people from the North had invaded and possessed *Carmania*, which could be no other then this Nation of the Turks. Thus it is plainly manifest, that when these Israelites passed into America, they left a great part of their Brethren behinde them in *Asia*, *Tartaria*, and *India*. Millions of them are in *Persia*, and their domineering at this present day in *Carmania*, is rightly observed by *Benjamin* the Jew in *Eyre*, by *Mercator*, *Ortelius*, and other Geographers.

XIII.

Other excellent
Proofs of the
future conversion
and Monarchy
of the Jews,
I. From *Abraham*.

Abraham was told in *Genesis*, His seed must thrice be like Dust, and then afterward like Stars (Stars not for multitude, but for Piety and Glory) once in *Egypt*; secondly in *Babel*; thirdly throughout the world in the Roman Empire, and afterward in the beginning of the FIFTH MONARCHY must enlighten the whole world with the Glory of God. And the Jews themselves have an ancient tradition, That they must have two *Messiahs*; The first should come about what time the Government was taken from *Judah*; he should lay the Foundation of their Redemption, afterwards be betrayed, crucified, and die by their own hands, and leave them in a dolefull plight in the jaws of destruction by the *Gentiles*: him they called *Ben-Joseph* or *Ben-Ephraim*, alluding to sorrowful *Joseph*, who endured so much hardship, being sold by his brethren into *Egypt*, and estranged from his fathers house; and to the unfortunate Attempt of the Tribe of *Ephraim* (soon after that barbarous Edict of murdering male Infants came forth) to deliver themselves and the *Israelites* by force of Arms from *Pharaoh* (some 12 years before the Birth of *Moses*; when *Pharaoh* levying an huge Army, made fearful slaughters of them, forcing them to return to their old obedience, of which you may read in *Psal* 78. 9. In this doleful misery they should remain so long till their second *Messiah* came and delivered them from the hands of all their enemies, restored them to their native Land of *Judea*; and reigned over them in equal fame and prosperity with *David* their father: Him therefore they call *Ben-David*.

II. From *Isaac*.

Secondly, *Isaac* was moe wayes then in his Immolation a figure of Christ. He had two sons *Esau* and *Jacob*, of whom it is said, *The Elder shall serve the younger*. *Edom* (which Jews interpret to be the Roman Christian Church, the

the First-born to Christ from *Isaac*) must come to serve the younger, The Jewish converted Church in the end of time, when it is once come up.

Thirdly, *Jacob* a Type of Christ in his Descent to *Egypt* had two wives, *Leah* a Type of the visible Church of carnal Jews, using and leaning upon ceremonious shadows in stead of the true sacrifice from *Moses* to the end of the second Temple: as likewise of the Church of the Gentiles, which from the Ascension of Christ was to continue in vicissitudinarian fortune to it's end, full 1668 years. Thus *Leah* was bleary-eyed, but fruitfull in her posterity, yet not so acceptable and lovely in the eyes of her husband as *Rachel* (a Type of the glorious Jewish Church in the end of Monarchies) who was to be many dayes barren, even from the end of the second Temple, till *Anno* 1683, then brings forth *Joseph*, leaves her fathers idolatrous house, within a few years after travels again, and brings forth the staff of *Jacobs* old age with the losse of her own life.

Fourthly, That the Jews were to have a temporal Monarchy in the end of the Roman Empire, is evident likewise out of the New Testament. In the first of *Acts* our Saviour Christ's Disciples shewed how greatly the Jews expected for this time, when their *Messiah* should deliver them from the yoke of the Romans, and restore them to their temporal Kingdom in *Judea*, as likewise how near they thought the season and period to be in our Saviours time, when they came to him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore the Kingdom to Israel? Our Saviour in his Answer doth not deny but that such a time was to be, wherein the Jews should be restored to their temporal Kingdom in their own Land (which should exceed *Dauids* and *Solomons* in magnificence, and should extend over the whole world) but only blames and checks his Apostles for enquiring of that which neither was needful for them to know, neither should be in their dayes; as likewise for being too inquisitive in the times and seasons when it should be, and was to begin, Which (said he) the Father hath put in his own power. And who so reads *Hes.* 3. 4. 5. the four last Chapters of *Zachary*, *Mich.* 7. 15, 16, 17. *Esa.* 2. 2, 3, 4. and Chapter 27. 12, 13. with *Jer.* 24. 5, 7. with divers other passages in Scripture, may plainly see that neither *Solomons* house nor the *Maccabees* ever obtained their full propriety, nor were those Prophecies of their universal Sovereignty ever fulfilled in the Old Testament.

Fifthly, The Song of *Moses* in the 32. of *Deuteronomy*, is clear, that many and great afflictions shall befall them in the latter dayes, even all the time of their first *Messiah*, and the Roman Empire. No Jew in the world ever expounded otherwise from the 36. verse to the 43. of that Song. And to this place they referre their afflictions which they have, and shall suffer all the time of the Roman Empire till their Restauration. There is but few of them now, but will confesse that their *Messiah Ben-Joseph*, is come already, but their *Ben-David* is yet hid in the depth of the Sea, and will arise from thence about the final end of the destruction of the Gentiles.

Sixthly, The life of *Joseph* in Genesis hath in it more then History. At 17. years of age he was sold by his Brethren, and stood before *Pharaoh* not expounding him his Dreams at thirty. So he lived above 12. years in misery and

III. From *Jacob*.

IV. From the New Testament, *Act.* 1.

V From *Mos.* in Song, *Deut.* 32.

VI From the History and life of *Joseph* Irons.

trons. And for those 12. years God rewarded him with 80. years of government in and over all the land of *Ægypt*. His brethren came and bowed to him according to his Dream of the sheaves; his father also was inferior and subjected to him as he was Viceroy in the government of *Ægypt*: and was nourished and maintained by him according to his second Dream of the Sun, Moon, and the eleven Stars crouching and making obeisance. Though his Brethren pitied him not in the anguish of his soul, yet he forgiveth and preserveth them in *Ægypt*, and at their deliverance thence marcheth triumphantly before them to Canaan in his Coffin. But yet neverthelesse *Jacob* was to stay in Canaan, and *Joseph* was to be unknown to his Brethren till *Ægypt* be destroyed by Famine, and yeeld it self to *Joseph*. And the bones of *Joseph* too must stay in *Ægypt* till 600000 men besides women and children be delivered them by the hands of *Moses* and *Aaron*. No departure from *Ægypt*, no passage through the Red-Sea without the bones of *Joseph*. *Edom* in the dayes of *Moses*, and *Babylon* in *Daniels* time suffered the severest punishments God could inflict upon a people, and all for afflicting *Eber*. And here is a mystery not so observed as observable in Scripture. As *Ægypt* was broken before the first Tabernacle was set up by *Moses*: as *Edom* was harrowed by *David* before the first Temple was erected by *Solomon*: and thirdly, as *Babel* was brought to nothing by *Cyrus* before the second Temple was built by *Zorubbabel* and *Jehoshuah*: so shall both *Edom* and *Babel*, Turk, Pope, and all Monarchies in the Earth be brought to dust, before the third Temple be built by the converted Jews in their native Land of *Judea* and *Jerusalem*. *Jerusalem* now inhabited by Turks and hereticall Christians shall at that time be purged from filth; and be the only Receptacle of the children of God. But when that time shall be, I have abundantly shewn in the Sections before. And in that season shall *Benjamin* be sent down from his good father in the power of his right arm, and *Joseph* (even *Ben-Joseph*) shall make himself known to his Brethren, who did hate him, shoot at him, cast him into the pir, and delivered him to the Gentiles. Which excellent Parallels of *Joseph* and Christ are fully explained in the *Masorch*, *Zoar*, and in *Rabbi-Asse*, besides *Ezekiel* and *S. John* in the Revelations. Notwithstanding in citing these Jewish Traditions, I would not be mistaken, as if I maintained a second descention of our Saviour Christ from Heaven, as the Millenaries do; or that the Jews must have him come personally down from heaven to destroy the whole world; and restore them to their Land of *Judea*, I mean no such thing. God hath other means to bring his purposes to passe then, by sending his Sonne Christ to sojourn the second time upon earth. A second *Moses*, yet a King, must work all this for them: yet not a *Moses* of their own blood, but a Captain from the North; who shall work the works of God in righteousness, and make peace like a mighty stream overflow the whole earth.

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XIV.

The consideration of these future great blessings of God towards this Nation of the Jews; and in them to all the world in the advancement of the Gospel;

spel; as likewise the laying to heart the grievous calamities which have so long tossed the Kingdomes and Free-states of *Europe*, should move all men with repentance to prepare themselves to meet those great and fearfull mutations which God is bringing upon all the European Coasts of the world. Historians have made their four Monarchies according to the rise or fall of severall particular Nations. 1. Assyrians. 2. Persians. 3. Grecians. and 4. Romans: but this is a lame Division, and comes far short of that transcendent Metamorphosis of humane affairs, which (by comparing of Histories, observation of new Starres and Comets of late, with the consideration of the manners and conditions of the sonnes of men) we may easily perceive must within these few years be brought upon the world. The learned Mathematicians and Philosophers (who have more thoroughly searched into the secrets of Astrology) rightlier place their four Monarchies according to the four coasts of Heaven. 1. The Eastern Monarchy of the Assyrians. 2. The two Southern Monarchies of the Persians and Grecians, bounded within the circumference of 3600 miles, or 11 degrees of latitude. 3. The Western Monarchy of the Romans. 4. and lastly, the Northern Monarchy (but in right accompt the fifth) must be of the Northern L I O N, which to the amazement of Christendome, shall arise from the Northern Sea, and pitch his Tents in the ashes of the Eastern and Western Monarchies. But now having made mention so oft of this V. Monarchy in this Pamphlet, I think it meet to produce two or three Reasons of the truth and certainty of it, deduced out of the holy Scriptures and humane Authority.

Description
of the four
Monarchies.

Reasons of
the V. Monarchy.

First, The Jews have a Tenet among them, That their Messias must not come in the Flesh till the destruction of the fourth Monarchy in *Daniel*, which is the Roman: and so will not beleve Christians professing him to become already: but say, this coming is deferred till the Roman Empire be totally abolished; which because it is not nor must be yet, they will not beleve he hath appeared. But the Jews are deceived in this, for *Dan* 2. 44. and 7. 9, 22. the Incarnation of our Saviour Christ was promised to be in the very nick of the constitution and establishment of the Roman Empire, and not after the ruine of it (which was performed accordingly) else should there have been six Monarchies before the end of the world. For the dispersion and rejection of the Jews, the revelation of Antichrist with the Fulnesse of the Gentiles, was prophesied to be accomplished in the fourth Monarchy, all which we see are punctually fulfilled. None of which should yet have come to passe, if our Saviour Christ was not to be incarnate before the end of the Roman Empire. Therefore as the rejection of the Jews with these other signs and things was to be in the fourth Monarchy; so their conversion and remission into the Church, and the glorious estate of the Gospel upon earth must be in another fifth Monarchy, which is yet to come.

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Secondly, So many Empires as are comprized in *Nebuchadnezzars* Image (*Dan* 2.) must come to passe before the end of the World: But five Monarchies are comprehended in that Image, *Ergo*. The major is manifest, The minor is thus proved: *Nebuchadnezzar* himself was the Golden Head of this Image, as he was in another respect the Feet of the old decrepit *Assyrian*

II.

Monarchy, which by his Chaldean Empire and the ruine thereof (which was approaching) should totally be annihilated. The Armes and Brefts of Silver are the Empire of the *Meds* and *Persians*. The Belly of brasse is the Empire of the *Grecians* by *Alexander the Great*. Lastly, the Iron Leggs and the Clay Toes depicted the *Roman Empire*, with the present declining House of *Austria*, and the breathlesse Papacy. Therefore the Stone cut without Hands which brake this Image in pieces, and became a Mountain and filled the Earth, must be understood (as I touched before) of a Fifth Monarchy yet to come, in which, by the Conversion of the Jews and fulnesse of the Gentiles the Gospel shall shine in majesty over all Kingdoms upon Earth.

III. Thirdly, If the rejection and dispersion of the Jews were to be in the fourth Monarchy, as is apparent by *Gen. 49. 10.* and *Numb. 24. 24.* then was their conversion not to be till the beginning of the fifth, and towards the end of the World, as is manifest by the Apostle, *Rom. 11. 25.* But the first is true and therefore the latter also.

IV. Fourthly, the conversion and restauration of the Jews to their ancient Inheritances in the holy Land (which *Ezekiel* hath so largely described in his twelve last Chapters) and the glorious felicity of the Gospel of Christ proceeding from their conversion, must either be in the fourth Monarchy, or not untill the fifth. But in the fourth Monarchy it cannot be, for among the *Turks* the Jews are kept in extreame slavery, Idolatry and ignorance: and under the Papacy they are not permitted to use the new Testament (by which only they must be saved), and besides they are so enraged against Christianity, by the Papissts Image-worship, that there is a flat impossibility (much lesse any hopes) of their conversion, so long as either the *Turkish Empire* or the Papacy stands in force. Ergo their conversion and restauration cannot be, till both Turk and Pope eternally be destroyed, and so the fourth Monarchy finally ended.

Thus having delivered the reasons of a fifth Monarchy, I come to describe the LION of the North, as I finde it in an ancient Prophecie of the true *Merlin*, and by *Grebner*.

I. Of the true *Merlin* in *K. Lucius daies*, *An. 6. 130.* First of *Merlin*. Many Scholars have often disputed what *Merlin* should be, who he was, what time he lived in, whether those Prophecies be true, and his, which go under his name, or not: how he came by them, and lastly, what reckoning is to be made of them. Of every of which somewhat I have said with *Merlin*, as with *Tostanus* in *Spain*, and many Learned in our times; who for the eminency of their Learning, and approbation of their writings, became so famous, that Pedlar Anchors farther'd bastar'd ware upon them in every corner for easier vent. *Mertins* there were severall of old; one a Welsh-man in the daies of *Edgar* the Monarch, of an austere living and Monkish conversation. He lived for the most part in the Isle of *Anglesey*, where he had familiarity and acquaintance with the *Bards* and *Druides* then not wholly extinct, who had incomparable skill in Divination by Birds, and other kinde of Magique. He was an excellent Astrologer and a great Chymist: so that many think those Prophecies, that are like his, to be deduced from no more then naturall reason. All those Prophecies which

which I have seen of his (some of which I have) I cannot see how they
 smell any whit of a prophetique spirit ; they speak him a great Scholar in
 Astrology, but no Prophet. But there was living in K. *Lucius* daies another
Merlin (called the first) a Scottish man, and he is the true *Merlin*, and if
 any Prophecies could be found of his, great credit was to be given to them.
 He was a great friend of K. *Lucius* himself, and his daily companion. Of
 his there is but one Prophecie extant, which I found in that anient Chro-
 nicle of *Nennius* of *Bangor* of the *Saxons* (who yet lives in Manuscript) K.
Lucius being as yet unconverted from Paganisme to Christianity, would
 needs joyn in confederacy with *Sauline* a King of the *Scutti* (now *Scots*)
 to raise warre against the Roman Emperour ; to which purpose he asked
 counsel of *Merlin* what he should do in this mauer ; who earnestly dehorred
 him from his purpose ; and in the end prevailed. *Merlin* prophesied to him,
 " That within lesse then a sesquidecumane period of time, the Eagles head
 " should be cloven in two ; one part whereof *Agar* should burn with fire,
 " and *Fapher* the other after the grand revolution of daies. Mark (O King)
 " saith he, and consider, *Samthesa* shall be quickly overflown with a vaga-
 " bond Army of an unknown Originall, spued out of a land toward the
 " East, which a flood from the North shall quickly possess. I know thy
 " thoughts and the intents of thy heart ; thou seekest Friendship from a
 " people, whose weaknesse shall be thy glory, and their greatnesse thy ruine.
 " A squadron of Fishers are risen up from the East, which shall ascend un-
 " armed upon the world without spear and shield, to whom all Nations shall
 " in time obey. They shall destroy the Temples of thy Gods (O *Lucius*)
 " and convert them to the service of their eternall King, who only can
 " rescue from the grave, and deliver from the fnares of death. Behold I see
 " a great Sun arise insensibly upon us *Brittanes* ! But (woe is me !) what
 " black seas of darknesse, and rivers of blood pursue after it ? Hast thou not
 " heard of the valiant *Angles*, of barbarous *Neustria*, of yonder terrible *Picti*
 " thy perfidious enemies ? These shall overflow thy Land, and possess the Ci-
 " ties thereof, till the old age of Empires, and Government shall flow upon the
 " world. *Illis autem temporibus revolatis, Cauda Virgini Leonem imbrabit, & Sa-*
 " *gittarii dorsum Scorpini ascendet. Borealia Regna à Messoribus obierunt, Austr-*
 " *ales Principatus in statum pulvereum desinent, & insularum Monarchiarum po-*
 " *testates sine fræno aut milite ephippiabuntur ; bella atrocitas ventis dissipabuntur, &*
 " *peffum ibunt judiciali grandine, qua per baculum ortum habuerunt, per sparris*
 " *juventutem. Solipse tympanabit nimio clamyde indutus, & Lina cineribus*
 " *cothurnis ad mundinas tolutabit. Rides, O Rex ? At quibus hæc superveniens,*
 " *luffi & merore contabescet. Hæc omnia vix plene peragentur, quon Principes*
 " *ragali origine coronatus ex Borealibus plagis proveniet, suis inceptatus, alieni-*
 " *genis desideratus ; qui eò quòd Leone ferocitate insignietur, Leo nuncupabitur,*
 " *Non conquiescet, donec Synodo per eum convocata minisq, dissoluta, victricia arma*
 " *in hostes transferat, & lamentabili successu vicinorum Principum ditiones pes-*
 " *fundet. Alexandrum Magnum virtute, Cyrum felicitate superabit : freta transna-*
 " *vigabit ; à multis regibus Imperator saluabitur ; & Urbem quandam venustam*
 " *solo aequabit. Inter cæ ex Oriente Princeps bellipotens illum prælio laceffet, cou-*
 " *rad*

"trā quem Leo cum omnibus copiis procedet, & cis Euphratem positus castris illum
 "expectabit. Si Princeps flumen transibit, Leo superabitur; at ipse exercitus flu-
 "vium transduco hostem cruento conflictu superabit, & universum Orientem in
 "potestatem rediget. Dum hæc aguntur, complures Reguli ex India in Sariam
 "cum ingentibus irrumpent exercitibus, & circa vallem Jeboshaphat præliabundi
 "Leonem opprobrent, ubi ab ipso ad internecionem omnes delebuntur. Nec multo
 "post, Leo ipse satis concedet, postquam regnum Transfugarum miranda pietate in
 "perpetuum fundavit. Thotetines being past, the tail of the Virgin shall
 "enter the Lion, and Scorpio shall ascend the back of Sagittary: The Nor-
 "thern Kingdoms shall be waisted by Reapers, the Southern Principalities shall
 "end in dust, and the powers of the Iland-Monarchies without either bridle
 "or souldier shall be harnessed. Cruell warres shall be scattered by the windes,
 "and quell'd by a revengefull hail, whose beginning were by a staff, their
 "growth and continuance by bastards. The Sun it self shall play on the tim-
 "brell clad with a vermilion coat, and the Moon with dunne buskins shall
 "amble to the fair. Laugh'st thou, O King? But those on whom these things
 "shall come, for grief and sorrow shall pine away. All these things shall
 "scarce be accomplished, when a Prince of royall stock shall come forth crown-
 "ed from the Northern parts, as to his own people unexpected, but desired
 "by foreigners, who because he shall bear a Rampant Lion, shall therefore
 "be called a Lion. He shall not rest, till having called a Synod and after dis-
 "solved it by threats, he shall advance his conquering arms against his ene-
 "mies, and by wofull successe shall harraße the territories of neighbour Prin-
 "ces. He shall exceed Alexander the Great in vertue, and Cyrus in successe.
 "He shall passe the seas and be saluted Emperour by many Kings: A certain
 "antient City shall he lay even with the ground. In the mean while a power-
 "full Prince out of the East shall provoke him to batle, against whom the
 "Lion shall march with all his forces, and pitching his Camp on this side Eu-
 "phrates, shall expect him. If the Prince shall come over the river, the Lion
 "shall be overcome; but he shall passe his army over the river, and give his
 "Enemy a bloody defeat, and be master of all the East. While these things
 "are in action, divers petty Kings from India shall break into Syria with
 "mighty armies, and provided for batle shall wait for the Lion about the
 "valley of Jeboshaphat, where they shall by him be all wholly cut off. Not
 "long after shall the Lion himself decease, after that with eminent piety he
 "shall have established the Kingdome of fugitives. This is all that is ex-
 "tant of this former Merlin, whose glorious works and inestimable Prophe-
 "cies are utterly lost to the great detriment of learning.

II. Of
Grebner.

Not much unlike this, is that of Grebner, Ban. 73. "Europa labes & im-
 "becillitas singulorum ejusdem Regnorum sedem mirabiliter struet QUINTAE
 "MONARCHIÆ, quæ sub tempus exitii Imperii Romani ad terrorem totius
 "mundi ex ruinis Germaniæ resurgabit. Hæc triennii spatio cetera Europa regna-
 "bit aut vi perdominabit, aut belli metu ad societatem perpellet: quod universalem Li-
 "gam & Unioem omnium Protestantium efficiet sub specie bellum Poloniae infe-
 "rendi, re autem verâ Imperium Austriacum Italianq; invadendi. Nec enim spes
 "fessellerit. Nam circa hoc tempus SECTA quadam manachorum adeo abomi-
 "nabilis,

"nabills, obſcena, & ſeditioſa in Papas ſimi oritur; ut compellerent Proteſtantes quàm Italia Principes extremum Romæ exitum moliri."

The corruption of Europe, and the weakneſſe of her ſeveral Kingdoms ſhall ſtrangely make way for the **FIFTH MONARCHY**, which about the time of the fall of the Roman Empire to the ruin of the whole world ſhall appear out of the ruines of Germany. She (within three years ſhall either ſubdue by force the reſt of the Kingdoms of Aſia, or for fear of war ſhall bring them to a league, whereby ſhe ſhall conclude an univerſal confederacy, under colour of making warre againſt Polonia; but in deed to invade the Auſtrian Empire and Italy. Neither ſhall her hope fail her. For about this time a certain **SECT** of Monks ſhall riſe in the boſome of the Papacy, ſo abominable, obſcene and ſeditious, that it ſhall urge both the Proteſtants and Princes of Italy to endeavour the utter ſubverſion of Rome.

Thus having ſhewed the Seat and Certainty of this **V. Monarchie**, I who ſhall come to declare what People or Kingdom in Europe ſhall obtain and rule, it be King of this V Mo. and whole it ſhall ſolely be. Of the European Chriſtians two ſeveral Kingdoms ſince, and of late have mainly ſtriven for the **FIFTH MONARCHY**.

Fiſtly, The Kingdom of Spain hath always for a matter of 170 years ago by incorporating it ſelf with the Houſe of Auſtria, and the moſt potent Families of Germany and Italy by ſtrange Marriages and odde meddles laboured extremely to bring all Europe under her Wings; that ſo ſhe might become the glorious Sun of the Weſt. On the other ſide, the Swede of late keeping in high hand over the King of Poland, and fixing his glorious Trophies of Conqueſt in all corners of Germany, hath brought the Emperour to ſo low an ebb, and hath of late become ſo terrible to the Pope and Spaniard: and laſtly can in an inſtant enleague himſelf with all Proteſtant Kingdoms and States, either for fear or favour upon any neceſſary occaſion, that many account him the man that both goeth the directeſt way, and whom heaven hath ordained to ſway the Imperial Scepter within the limits of the Church. But neither of theſe are they who are ordained to the Empire of the fiſth Monarchy. Not the Spaniard, becauſe he is for his inhumane cruelty ſo generally hated of Chriſtians, all men avoiding him and flying from him; as the Serpent from the Aſh: His Indian Plantations both thrive not, and likewiſe for their barbarouſneſſe are ſo deteſted of the ſavages worſhippers, and upon opportunities are accordingly maſſacred. Ye, thoſe places of Italy which are under his Protections, as Florence, Genoa, Milan, and other Cities afford him as much affection, as the Spider doth the Serpent. Thus is He the univerſal Odium of all the world, thrives in no place, and like oyl over ſwimming all other liquids, and can hardly incorporate with any: ſo ſeldom is he conjoynd but in natural Antipathy with all Nations. Added hereunto the auſterity and unpleaſantneſſe of his Government, which can thrive no longer over ſubdued Countries by rapine and cruelty, than to govern them by Love and Piety. And laſtly his Government is a very People aimed at their own ends, pillaging and ſqueezing the Subjects to their Name

Not the Spaniard.

Spain

And ſo
which
beſides
the
Catholics
and

and Government is every where abominated, no Province continuing loyal any longer then they can get arms and stoutly rebel. The injustice of which hath caused Portugal to be rent from him, which while the world standeth shall never be his again. And moreover the Oracle tells him, that *Naples*, *Naur*, his reconciled Provinces in *Belgia*, with his Indian Plantations (the best Jewels he hath) shall be pluckt within 30 years to come from his ambitious Crown, never to be recovered again.

Now the
Swede.

Secondly, The *Swede* cannot be Paramount in this Monarchy, because of the various Sects and Schisms he is pestered with, so inveterate and so predominant, that no Reformation can purge him of them. The male Line of that Royal Pedegree is extinct, and only a weak young Princess surviving the whole Kingdom shared and governed by factious Nobles and covetous Generals, and while every one sucks from the veins of the Body Politique to cram his own, it will be soon evacuated, both of life and nourishment. Besides, it hath been since prophesied to *Sweden*, that he shall not be so much as a tributary Kingdom to this great Sovereignty, but shall be the first, that shall be made a slave to that famous Northern Lion, who shall wear the Crown of that transcendent Monarchy. As for *France*, *Denmark*, *England*, and the free Cantons of *Germany*, they make account for the present they do valiantly if they can well husband what is got already. And for *England* in particular, if it chance that she make war upon any neighbour Enemy, and enlarge their Dominions by Conquest, it is more to secure her self, and prevent the Invasion of the great Eagle, and her chief feathers, then any greediness of extending her Bounders by the Conquest and ruine of others. If she keep her ancient soil and possessions in those times, it is as much as heaven hath ordained her, and more she shall not have. Who then must be Lord of this Monarchy? Or what people shall be parts and members thereof? Even a Nation which at this day is hid invisibly within the bowels of *Europe*, which seeing are not seen, and living are not known: Which shall by a miraculous Resurrection (like the Jews from *India* and *Tartaria*) be raised to destroy all Idolatry and abomination out of every corner of the North, with the weapons of an holy warfare tending to the glory of God, and the Honour of their King. His Sword shall be Religion, and his Ensigns Righteousness and Piety. All the godly in every Kingdom and State in *Europe*, the converted Jews conjoynd and united with them in spirit and habitation, shall (as I said before) root out all names of Iniquity, and be this Monarchy, which shall only consist of, and subsist by Holiness, and an unquenchable desire of propagating the Glory and Gospel of God: according to that of *Daniel*, Chap. 7. ver. 27. And the Kingdom, and Dominion, and the greatness of the Kingdom under the whole Heaven shall be given to the people of the Saints of the most High, whose Kingdom is an everlasting Kingdom, and all Dominions shall serve and obey him. The first preparation to the Birth of which, was that ominous and fatal Starre which appeared in the head of *Cassiopea*, An. 1572, the effects of which shall begin to operate upon *Europe*, and the Eastern Coasts of *America*, An. 1699, in bringing a Mystery to light, which all the force of wisdom are not able to effect. Of this fatal and ominous

Of the Effects of that
fatal Star,
which appeared in
the head of
Cassiopea,
An. 1572.

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noüs Starre (or Comet, chuse you whether) I finde several Tractates written.

One *Nympha Prophetica in Print*: *Magell de quinta Monarchia*, & *Openheims Ephemeris Calica*, both Manuscriptes, both excellently discoursing of the Effects thereof: How that, "*Quo tempore accidet septima & ultima maxima superiorum Planetarum Conjunctio, princeps erit Monarchia prima, qua caput ex ruinis quarti Imperii crexerit. Currus Luna Zodiacum perturbabit, Cauda Draconis coget Pleiades in fletum prorumpere, dorsum Delphini ascendet, & flores Virgineos obfuscabit: continue turba, seditiones, bella civilia, strages, peno-lestria lustruossima omnia illa regna & illustres Familias persequentur, ex quibus ista Monarchia orta est, aut ei ullo modo obviabunt. Burgundie domus finem accipiet, Silesia libertas Gallico Neroni prostituetur. Belgarum Ordines potentie & Aristocratia sue finem videbunt, &c.* *Openheim fol. 86.*

But *Magell* is most plain above all three, fol. 67. col. 8. "*Fateor majorem Luminarium deliquia sine insigni hominum pernicie pecorumque strage nunquam existisse: Regnorum mutationes etiam, populorum clades, regum funera, bella & incendia in ipsorum Deliquiorum Articulis, aut paulo post evidentè apparuisse. Fateor etiam superiorum errorum coitum malorum us plurimum illade cavari: & aque hanc stellam (qua hoc An. 1572 in vertice Cassiopeae illustris) supra omnem elementarem regionem collocatam novi Imperij Revolutionum Dominumque significasse. Que tamen effecta hac ære nostra minime perficiet: reservanda nihilominus in gentes quandam eternamque invisibilem, suam magnitudinis radij in universum cali torraque ambitum extendentur.*

At what time the 7th, the last and greatest Conjunction of the chief Planets shall happen, the first Monarchy shall reign, which shall lift up her head out of the ruines of the IV Empire. The Chariot of the Moon shall disturb the Zodiac. The Tail of the Dragon shall force the Pleiades to break out into weeping, shall ascend the back of the Dolphin, and shall darken the lustre of the Virgin: Daily troubles, seditions, civil wars, slaughters, and most lamentable universal Destructions shall vex all those Kingdoms and eminent Families, from whence that Monarchy sprang; or which shall any way cross it. The house of Burgundie shall be at an End: the Liberty of Silesia shall be prostituted to a French Nero. The Estates of Belgia shall see an end of their Power and Aristocracy.

I confess the Eclipses of the great Luminaries never hapned without the notable Destruction of men and slaughter of Cattel: the Changes also of Kingdoms, the Deaths of People, Funerals of Kings, Wars and fires have broke forth either in the very time of their Eclipses, or within a little after. I confess also the Conjunction of the highest wandering Starres is for the most part attended with an Heed of mischiefs: and that this Star (which this year 1572 appeared on the top of Cassiopea) being placed above the whole Elementary Region, did signifie the Revolution and Dominion of a new Empire. Which effects shall not yet be seen by this our age; yet are they reserved for a certain Nation, as yet invisible, the beams of whose greatness shall be extended through the whole verge of Heaven and Earth.

The Descrip-
tion of the
flourishing
Monarchy of
the Gospel
in America
and India a-
bout Anno
1710, and A.
1763.

In that same year shall the kingdom of salvation be preached by the Ministry of the Saints the most High, to those immense and unknown *American* Coasts; to whom as yet the Name of Christ was never yet revealed. And that people who from the Creation till that time were the Empire of Satan, shall be called the specious and spacious Church of God. The gates of which shall be open continually, neither day nor night shall they be shut, that men may bring unto them the riches of the Gentiles, and the treasures of the Kings of the Earth. All Nations and Kingdoms, that will not serve her, shall perish and be destroyed forever. *Within whose land shall be heard no violence nor destruction, nor desolation within her Borders; but Salvation shall be her walls, and praise her gates.* Her Government shall be peace, and her *Exaltations* Righteousness. Her Sun shall never go down, nor her Moon ever be hid, for the Lord shall be her everlasting light, and the days of her sorrow shall be ended. The people within her shall be all righteous; for ever shall they possess their proper inheritances, for God shall make them an everlasting Glory, and a joy from Generation to Generation. Therefore ought no man to be sorrowful for the Calamities of Europe, or the afflictions of the times; nor grieved with the mutations and Downfalls of Kingdoms and Empires, neither should he be afraid because Wars and miseries rage in all Coasts of the world. For this is the eternal Law of Creatures, (which the Creator imposed upon them at first) that the Birth of one thing should be the Death of another, and that the order of Nature should be preserved by the vicissitudinary course of alternate Mutability. And why should we be offended at wars amongst men, when there are daily and continual Conflicts between the Elements themselves? Cities, Republics, Empires and Families are mortal as men, have their states of Birth, Infancy, Growth and Old-age as well as they. Glory, Majesty, Arts and Sovereignty began in *Asia* by the *Assyrians* & from them departed to the *Medes* and *Persians*; and from them (before they had well tasted the sweetness of them) translated to the *Greeks*, and next to the *Romans*. The Glory of the Roman Empire was eclipsed and humbled by the barbarous Inundations of *Goths*, *Huns*, *Vandals*, and other savage Nations, who being themselves once civilized and mollified by the Effeminacies of *Italy* and the West, were in 560 years space overthrown by the Potency of *Charlemain* and the *Germans*. *Germany* hath now fully possessed the Imperial dignity 790 years; and before fifty years more be past, shall be made a scorned Servitor of the King of the North, whose Power and Religion shall transcend the utmost Confiners of East and West. In the beginning of which Empire, *Venice* shall not brag of being inaccessible by the circumfluent Ocean, and *London*, *Paris*, *Antwerp* and *Prague*, the IV. Ladies of Europe, shall be humbled to sit in the dust of eternal Destruction. The consideration of this must reach men humility in prosperity, carefulness to know God, and keep his Commandments, seeing every Plant which he hath not planted shall be plucked up, and nothing can be permanent but by his favour and protection.

Thou therefore the eternall and incomprehensible Father of lights, the A Prayer to
 indivisible God of peace and unity, look down at length upon the afflicted God to mize
 estate of thy Gospell and mournfull face of thy Church, clouded with sects his Church,
 and schisms, rent by civill combustions, dying by the wounds which her sons and the af-
 flictions of it,
 have given, and wallowing in that gore which was shed by the hands of her and to hasten
 own children. Though our sins have deserved that we should for ever be cast the conversi-
 on of the
 out of the sight of thy countenance, yet respect thou the blood of thy Sonne, Jews, with
 crying better things then that of *Abel*, and be once at one again with thy the monar-
 chy of the
 inheritance. *Abraham* knows us not, *Israel* is ignorant of us, but thou art our Gospel.
 Father, and in thee shall be all our affiance, with whom even the worst of
 men have found mercy, Extend the light of thy loving-kindenes to the Tribes
 of *Jacob*, and return to the many thousands of *Israel*, for the time to build up
 Zion is come, and the daies of restoring *Jerusalem* cannot be prolonged. For
 why? Thy servants think upon her stones, and favour the very dust thereof.
 But remember *Edom*, O Lord, as thou remembrest *Babel*, which have cryed
 so oft, Down with it, down with it to the very earth. Pour thy vengeance
 down upon the Beast of *Rome*, and the red Dragon of *Constantinople*, who
 never knew thy name, that so the sorrowfull sighings of the Prisoners may
 come before thee. and thy servants be preserved that are appointed to die. Let
 thy work be upon the M A N of thy right hand, and upon the Son of man
 whom thou hast made so strong for thy self, that *Pharaoh*, *Elam*, *Mesheck*,
 with the sonnes of *Tubal* may fall in the midst of them that are slain by the
 sword, and may descend into the midst of hell with all that help them, even
 the whole multitude of the Uncircumcised, whose Lor is to goe into the ne-
 ther parts of the Earth. There shall they have their beds with the Uncircum-
 cised near those Valiants, which are gone down to the grave, with their wea-
 pons of war, and have laid their swords under their heads, because they were
 the fear of the mighty in the Land of the Living. But what shall be said to
 the Captain of the Nations, or to the Angell destroying *Edom* and *Babylon*?
 Even this, That the Lord hath founded Zion, and the poor of his people
 shall trust in it. He will leave an afflicted people, and they shall trust in the
 name of the Lord: He shall give them a pure Law, that they may pray to
 him with one consent. He shall open the doors of darknesse, the gates of ob-
 scurity shall he break down, that the world may be filled with the knowledge
 of the Lord as the waters cover the Sea. O thou sower of discord, and Cap-
 tain of iniquity, how long wilt thou delight to murder, spoil and pursue
 the distressed? Knowest thou not that it will be bitternesse in the end?
 Command the people to return every man from pursuing his brother:
 for lo, a Nation is risen against you, a mighty Nation and terrible from the
 East, whose horses see fire and his Chariots flames of fire to devour: his
 men are as swift as the Eagle, who will have no compassion on the fruit of
 the womb, nor shall their eye pity: They shall encompass thy Tents with
 an intent to lay all waste before them, but nevertheless be confident and bold

in the Lord of Hosts: for fire shall come down from Heaven and return their wickedness upon their heads, and their doings upon their own pates. O thou worship of Israel! how wonderfull art thou in thy doings toward the children of men! Bringing light out of darkness, strength out of weakness, and making justice the means to the manifestation of thy goodness and glory! As for me, I will expect him who has well the King of Salem, Peace, as Melchisedek, the King of Justice, all my duties: and will heartily pray for his coming, who shall bring every work into judgement, and every thing to a legall trial, whether it be good or evil. He is the Lamb upon the white Throne, before whose face Heaven and Earth shall fly away, and the Sea be no more found: Death and Hell shall give up the dead that are in them, and every Name that is not written in the Book of Life, shall be cast into the Lake of fire. For which time all the Creation groaneth, crying out to be delivered from the Bondage of Corruption, and restored to the glorious Liberty of the Sons of God. Even so, come Lord Jesus, come quickly, that sin may be destroyed for ever, and righteousness eternally established in stead thereof.

FINIS.

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Non dubites: forsam multis praestantior alter

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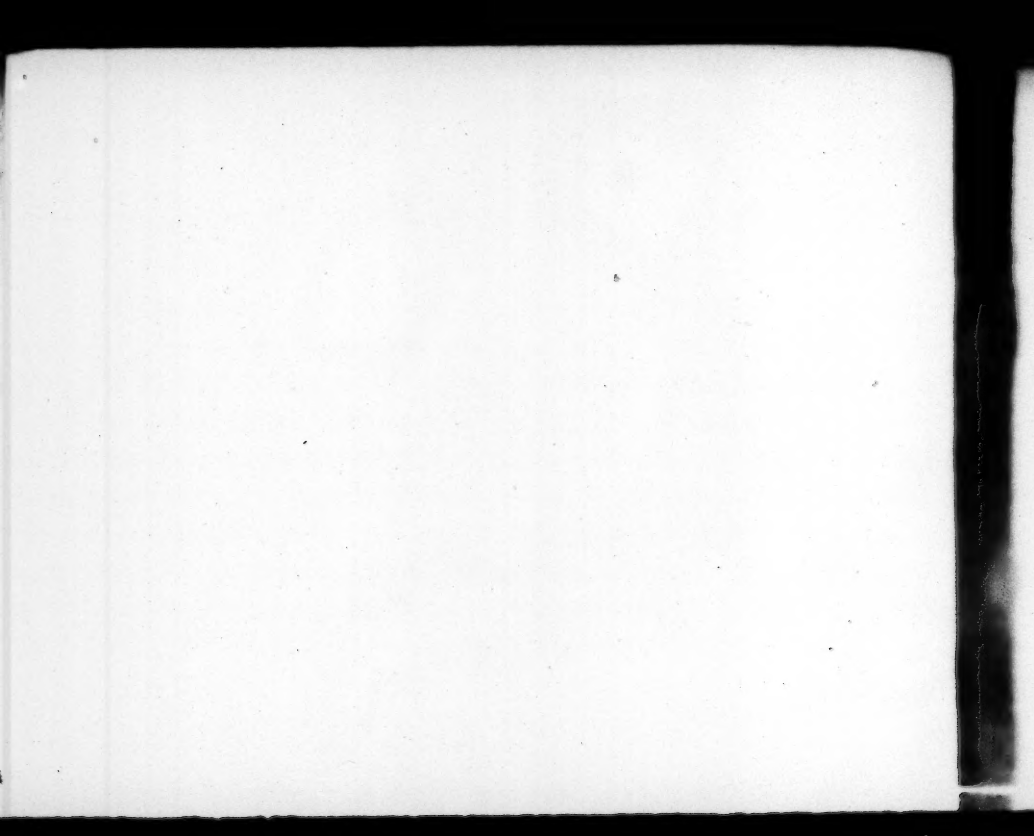
Sed mi iudicij non penites: hanc bene doctis

Commisit, quoniam est amor et sapientia iura,

Et Labor in studiis istam celebrasse iuharet:

Postquam: in vestro sacris est examine cautum.





Scotlands holy VVar.

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Truly, and plainly remonstrating,
How the SCOTS out of a corrupt perverted and
false COVENANT have made the same foundation,
and obligate all good men: and How by religious pro-
cesses of forcing the Peace of Great Britain they
have lawlessly involved us all in a most
pernicious Warre.

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